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OUTLINES.

At Dover, Del., William Jennings Bryan yesterday made a speech in which he said he was glad he was able to furnish President Roosevelt with ideas—Harry K. Thaw was found not guilty of the murder of Stanford White on the ground of insanity and was committed to the Mattewan Insane Asylum—Assistant Paymaster Sharp has been detached from duty at the Norfolk Navy Yard and is to be assigned to duty on the hospital ship Relief; he will be the only commissioned naval officer aboard except the surgeons—Ten cadets have been expelled from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, for hazing—No progress is being made towards breaking the Senatorial deadlock in Kentucky, one sham ballot was taken yesterday—The steamer Bluefields from Jacksonville to Philadelphia is more than eight days overdue and much concern is felt for her safety; she carried a crew of 18 men—Rev. William G. Whitaker is under arrest at Springfield, O., for using the United States mails to defraud the public; the complainant was the postmaster at Asheville, N. C.—The sub-committee on appropriations has finished consideration of the urgent deficiency bill and will report it on Monday—King Carlos and the Crown Prince of Portugal were assassinated and three persons who committed the deed were killed on the spot—New York markets: flour dull and lower to sell; corn meal steady; spot wheat easy; spot corn steady; turpentine firm at 54 1-2; rosin quiet, strained common to good 4.00 to 4.10. Money on call nominal; time loans slightly firmer; sixty days 3 3-4 to 4, and ninety days 4 to 4 1-4, six months 4 1-2 to 4 3-4; Demand for stocks was dull and prices drifted downwards. Weakness was marked at different times and in special stocks some of the selling was attributed to foreign account and Wall Street expressed fear that distrust of American securities as a reflection of the tone of President Roosevelt's message to Congress was indicated by this selling. The heavy storm shut off trade in the dry goods jobbing markets but shipments on old orders were fair. The statement of clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks hold \$40,526,725 more than the requirements of the 25 per cent. reserve rule. This is an increase of \$3,462,225 in the proportional cash reserve as compared with last week. Spot cotton closed quiet; middling upland 11.65; middling gulf 11.90; no sales—Five persons were burned to death and five others were injured in a fire in a three story rooming house at Kansas City near the business section yesterday morning. Mrs. Bert lost her life in trying to arouse the inmates. The smoke and flames compelled her to descend and she sought escape by the stairway. At the top of the second floor landing she stumbled and falling headlong down the stairway landed in the thickest of the flames. At the bottom her charred body was later found by the firemen. The bodies of the four other victims were found in their beds.

Several parts of the country are having sad proof of the old adage that a green Christmas makes a fat graveyard.

If the insurance companies don't pay for that thousands of gallons of Standard oil which was burned, the consumers will be made to go down into their pockets.

If Oklahoma did come in last, she is fast catching up with the older States. Her Governor has already written twenty-two special messages, which of course, makes him a presidential possibility.

An organized fight against the prohibition imposition is all that is necessary to defeat it at the polls. It is not a question of prohibition half so much as it is a question of continued Democratic rule in North Carolina.

Tom Lawson evidently knew all about the President's most recent message in advance for on Thursday he pronounced it to be "a corker." All of which goes to indicate that somebody has been "leaking" again.

New York is boasting that it has a fourteen pound lobster in one of its aquariums. In Washington there are some that weigh a heap more and draw handsome salaries. Some of them get as much as \$7,500 a year.

The Savannah Press reminds the people that "Mr. Bryan is comparatively a young man." This is probably true; we have forgotten his exact age. At any rate he has been a presidential candidate longer than any man now living.

In his recent statement Tom Lawson says he has given up the predicting business. Like a lot of other gamblers we expect he has come to the conclusion that it is a better proposition to keep the bank and let the other fellows do the guessing.

The latest fads and fancies in Spring and Summer wear will be exhibited at J. M. Solky's store on February 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th.

85c. White Spreads, 69c; at Gaylord's Monday. \$1.25 ladies' Shirt Waists, 98c.

ALDERMEN MEETING

First Monday in Local County and Municipal Circles.

THE PROHIBITION QUESTION

Committee Not Ready With Report on Petitions—Alderman Wood to Make a Fight for Early Closing of Saloons.

Tomorrow being the first Monday in the month the usual county and municipal meetings will take place. There will be little out of the routine before the Board of County Commissioners from all indications but the meeting of the Board of Aldermen promises to be a "hot number."

The "casus belli" before the city council will be a revival of the effort to regulate the saloons in Wilmington as Alderman Wood has placed the Mayor and his colleagues on notice that he will offer a resolution closing the bars of the city at 9 o'clock and not allowing them to open until 7 o'clock in the morning instead of from 5 A. M. to 12 midnight as is the law at present. Alderman Wood says that even some of the saloon men favor this. Others are fighting it and members of the Board of Aldermen, who attempted to inaugurate a similar reform in December, are charging Mr. Wood with inconsistency and on this account say they will not support him in his fight for an early closing at this time. On the other hand, Mr. Wood charges that the movement for regulation in December was to offset the effect of the movement for a prohibition election which was just then being launched and he would not be party to a campaign measure that would lessen the chances of having the town voted prohibition.

Failing to get his resolution for an early closing through the council, Alderman Wood says that he will insist on an old section of the city charter being enforced and requiring that all screens be taken down. He will use this as a whip-hand to get the shorter hours for the saloons. It is admitted that the section in the charter is old and obsolete, having been enacted in 1855, but Mr. Wood signifies his purpose to exercise his right as a councilman in calling on the saloon men and demanding that the screens be removed and upon failure to report the cases for indictment to the Mayor or other magistrate of the city. The Mayor regards the ordinance as impracticable in its present form, regardless of his opinion as to the desirability of the screens being removed from saloons, inasmuch as the law requires the screens and obstructions to be taken down not only in all saloons but in every other place of business in the city. Show windows in dry goods stores, prescription cases in drug stores, and all other displays whatsoever in any place of business must come down under the law proposed by Mr. Wood. It is safe to say that the Mayor will not yield to his demand to enforce the section in question on the ground that it is impracticable and would work a hardship upon many legitimate lines of business.

It is also expected that at the meeting Monday night, it will be finally decided whether or not the prohibitionists will go on with their efforts for a local option election in view of the State election to be held on May 26th. There is said to be a division of opinion upon the local prohibitionists as to whether it is best to call off the pet or proceed with it. Dr. Hale, the most vigorous leader of the movement, is understood to be in favor of pressing forward with the campaign, but he has been quite ill for a week or more and has, of course, not had the opportunity to consider the matter as he would have done otherwise. The committee from the Board of Aldermen to which the petitions were referred will not be ready with a report tomorrow night; in fact, they have done little since the Legislature has been at work on a prohibition bill for the entire State and if the local election is held, it will have to be some time later than the date originally selected, March 17th. It is said to be more than probable that the local fight will be called off.

These with the other matters that will come up in the regular order of business promises to keep the Board in session for quite a long time.

Hearing Before Referee.

Before Geo. H. Howell, Esq., referee in bankruptcy, in this city yesterday there was a hearing of the case of M. E. Mayer, general merchant of Red Springs, N. C., who lately failed in business. A compromise has been effected with creditors and the hearing here yesterday was on this compromise. The facts were certified to Judge Purnell for an order later. L. T. Cook, Esq., of Lumberton, was present representing a majority of creditors and Mr. A. T. McLean, of Lumberton, one of the trustees, was also present.

See J. M. Solky & Co.'s advertisement in today's paper for suits made to measure by Strouse & Brothers, Baltimore.

Annual White Sale at Rehder's store opens 9 o'clock Monday.

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

Distinctions for Second Quarter Ending January 24th.

The High School honor roll for the second quarter ending January 24th, has just been announced and makes a most excellent showing for the pupils of this institution. Miss Louise Rutland of the Sophomore Class led the school with 99.57 and the Junior Class had the distinction of having more than 50 per cent. of its members on the honor roll. The Senior Class had only one tardy during the entire term. There have been quite a number of absences on account of sickness in the school but only three tardies were reported for two months. The roll is as follows:

Freshman Class: First Honor—Hallie Rutland 99.3, Leighton Boon, Avon Blue, Anna Banks, Minnie Larkins, Marguerite Duls and Annie Taylor. Second Honor—Ethel Seligman, Vera Furlong, Anna Cavanaugh, Hazel Penny, Edelweis King and Sara Maffitt.

Junior Class: First Honor—Nick Post 98.5, Madge Brand, Carrie Toomer, Annie Shepard, Maude Glasgow, Lucile King and Mary Riley. Second Honor—Lucile Cavanaugh, Lucile Riley, Irene King, Mary Owen Green, Annabel Marchbanks, Florence Wessell, Flossie Marchbanks, David R. Murchison, George Carmichael, Williams Harris and Paul Lupo.

Sophomore Class, I—First Honor—Louise Rutland 99.57, Etta Salling 99.56, Ethel Solomon 99.2, Lawrence Orr and Hazel Black. Second Honor—William Lord and Harmon Rorison.

Sophomore II: First Honor—Emma Hazel King 98.5, Lottie Frink, Ursula Willis, Fannie Mitchell and Laura Reid. Second Honor—Leona Turley, May Willson, Israel Noe and Ethel Henry.

Senior Class Honor Roll for entire term: first honor, Mary Crosswell 98.02, Alice Noble 97.5, Second Honor—Anna Grant, Durand Borden, Bessie Lathrop, George Mitchell and Annie Reilly. One tardy in four months.

COLONIAL INN CLOSED

Mr. J. A. Boyette Unable to Make His Hotel Venture Pay.

With the first of the month, being unable to make the hotel a paying venture with his other interests, Manager J. A. Boyette yesterday closed the Colonial Inn, at northeast corner of Third and Market streets. Guests at the hotel were notified the night before that it would be impossible to entertain them longer and yesterday a majority of the number moved out.

In order to avoid an attachment of certain table and bed linen which he had furnished the hotel, Mr. John F. Garrett yesterday secured from Justice Furlong a claim and delivery for this property. Mr. Boyette readily surrendered the goods to satisfy the claim of Mr. Garrett.

The hotel belongs to a company organized several years ago and, it is stated now that the building may be converted into a first-class apartment house by the owners, eliminating the hotel feature altogether. There was not a long while ago a demand for another apartment house and the conversion of the Colonial into such a structure would doubtless prove a success.

ATHLETIC EXHIBITION

Wrestling Match and Other Exercises at Academy of Music.

Tommy Ryan, heralded as the champion middle-weight wrestler of Texas, has arrived in the city and is making arrangements for a wrestling match one night this week, probably Wednesday, in the Academy of Music. In addition to the match which will be with a well known mat artist from further South, there will also be an athletic exhibition that will be quite interesting. The management of the Academy assure the public there will be no rough and tumble exhibition in the match and that the sport will be clean and wholesome. Similar matches have been given in Columbia, Charleston, Greenville, Winston-Salem and other cities in this section. No purses are offered and no betting is allowed. The exhibition will be given preliminary to opening a physical culture class in Wilmington most probably.

DIED IN HOSPITAL HERE

Mr. Arthur Kern, Blacksmith With Waccamaw Lumber Company.

Mr. Arthur Kern, 31 years of age, lately employed as a blacksmith at the big lumber plant of the Waccamaw Lumber Company at Bolton, N. C., died early yesterday morning in the James Walker Memorial Hospital in this city, to which he was brought three days ago, suffering with a severe attack of typhoid fever. He was 31 years of age and is survived by his wife. A brother of the deceased was expected here yesterday from Indiana and the remains will be taken to the old home in that State for burial. The remains were prepared for burial by Funeral Director James F. Woolvin after being removed from the hospital yesterday morning.

Progressive Christian Club.

The Progressive Christian Club had a very enthusiastic meeting Friday night. Those present heard some good speaking and other exercises by members of the club. There will be another meeting Tuesday night when the subject for debate will be "Resolved, that there is more pleasure in youth than in old age."

Rev. T. A. Smoot to Speak.

Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, will speak to young men at the Boy's Brigade Armory at the meeting this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The choir of Grace Church will render the musical numbers. All men are invited to attend the service.

ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS

Senate Concurred in The House Amendment to Rate Bill and It Becomes Law.

BOTH BRANCHES THROUGH

Gave Felt Simultaneously—Governor Sends in a Farewell Message on Several Subjects—Proceedings in Detail.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 1.—The extraordinary session of the General Assembly adjourned sine die at 2:42 o'clock this afternoon after an eleven days' session.

The morning hours today saw the concurrence of the Senate in the amendment to the Senate rate bill by the House made late last night, eliminating the Corporation Commission from any part in the operation of the rate act and the enrollment of the act for final ratification. This was done during the few minutes preceding adjournment along with a great number of other local and general bills which have been passed the past few days. The legislation as to railroads was rounded up this morning by the final passage and ratification of the act Gov. Glenn had asked for, to prevent the merger of parallel and competing lines.

During the eleven days of the session 210 bills passed and were duly ratified into laws and ten resolutions were passed.

A resolution by Senator Graham relative to the petitions that the General Assembly has received from the railroad employees relative to the railroad passenger rate was passed to the effect that the Legislature had thoroughly considered the rate matter and adjusted it with justice to all. In the House a number of local bills passed, among them being one to amend the charter of Weldon.

The bill to authorize the State Board of Agriculture to sell the Transylvania test farm and buy one in Buncombe county was tabled.

The bill to allow wives to testify against husbands in certain slander and other cases as passed by the Senate was tabled by a vote of 46 to 38.

The resolution offered by Morton of New Hanover that the Governor do not accept \$17,500 from the railroad companies in connection with the rate compromise, was tabled 61 to 15. The resolution of McNeill thanking the Governor for his patriotic effort in settling the rate conflict, was passed.

Murphy moved that since quite a number of members had gone home, the clerk be directed to mail them copies of the Governor's message on St. Valentine's day. McRae added that one dozen copies be ordered sent to Dowd of Mecklenburg.

Grant, Republican, introduced a resolution that the treasurer do not accept any part of the \$17,500 exacted from the railroads in the compromise for payment of the expense of the extra session of the Legislature. On this Morton of New Hanover, called for the ayes and noes. Only one vote was cast against the resolution.

The House passed resolution expressing appreciation for the fair and impartial manner in which Speaker Justice presided during the extra session and to Gen. B. S. Royster, presiding during the trying periods during which the House had under consideration the railroad rate bills.

Gen. Royster expressed appreciation for the resolution, referring to the difficult task that he had discharged the best he could and paying tribute to the flow of oratory and rhetoric that he declared had characterized the rate discussions.

With the conclusion of Royster's remarks, which were applauded to the echo, there was a simultaneous sound of the gavel of the presiding officers of the two branches of the Legislature as they stood at their respective desks facing each other with the doors through the corridors opened for unobstructed view and President Winston in the Senate chamber declared the General Assembly's extraordinary session adjourned without a day.

The Morning Session.

The Senate convened at 10 o'clock Senator Brown, of Yadkin, offering prayer.

The bill to amend Sec. 1635 of the Revisal so that wives can testify against husbands in certain slander cases and other cases, came up for final action and passed third reading, being sent to the House for concurrence.

The Senate passenger rate bill came from the House with the amendments as passed by that body last night.

Chairman Graham, of the railroad committee, was recognized and stated that with reference to the petitions that have poured in from railroad operatives and others for the restoration of the old passenger rates, or at least some rate higher than the 2 1-2 cent rate involved in the compromise, he would be willing to vote for a rate of at least 2 3-4 cents but the 2 1-2 cent rate as a general settlement had been agreed upon in several States and between this State and the railroads; and having done the best he could to settle the matter upon a basis just to the railroads and in accordance with

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THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR

Will be Here Next Friday—Local Pythians to Do Honors.

Captain T. D. Meares, who will be his host during his visit to this city, yesterday received a telegram from Hon. Charles A. Barnes, of Jacksonville, Ill., Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, stating that he will arrive with Mrs. Barnes in Wilmington on Friday of this week. Judge and Mrs. Barnes will be the guests of Captain and Mrs. Meares at their home on Market street for several days and while here the Supreme Chancellor will be shown distinguished courtesies by members of the order locally. A committee of entertainment to arrange the exercises in honor of the distinguished visitor was appointed several days ago and already they have their work well under way.

On Friday evening in the Academy of Music there will be a public meeting in the Academy of Music at which Judge Barnes will be one of the speakers. He will be introduced by a distinguished visitor from out of the city, most probably ex-Governor C. B. Aycock, of Goldsboro. Then on Saturday the Supreme Chancellor and Mrs. Barnes will be taken on a basket picnic on the steamer Wilmington with a stop at Fort Caswell and other points of interest along the historic Cape Fear. Mrs. Barnes is now visiting in Charlotte and will be joined by her husband there, coming to Wilmington the latter part of the week.

RALEIGH NEWS NOTES

Teachers' Assembly Next in Charlotte. Judge Boyd on "Tigers."

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 1.—Secretary-Treasurer R. D. W. Connor of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly announced that the executive committee in session here has decided to call the next annual meeting of the Association for June 16th to 20th at Charlotte. Charlotte offers special inducements for the Assembly to come there this year and there is every assurance that the session will be one of the most attractive and profitable in the history of the Assembly.

Judge Boyd, of Greensboro, who is holding the special term of the United States District Court, here instead of Judge Purnell, has intimated from the bench that if parties who buy liquor from blind tigers are brought before him under indictment from the grand jury he will require verdicts of guilty if the purchase is proven and will impose sentences in keeping with the sentences meted out to the blind tiger men themselves. The position of Judge Boyd is that one who by buying a drink procures the breaking of the law is himself guilty of breaking the law. District Attorney Skinner expressed regret to the judge that the grand jury for this term had already been discharged for the term and it would, therefore, be impossible to act on the suggestion from the bench at this time.

COLD WAVE PREDICTED.

Weather Bureau Sent Out Warning Message—Much Wire Trouble.

Following an exceedingly stormy night during which there was a strong blow from the southwest and a very heavy downpour of rain amounting to 1.22 inches, the weather cleared yesterday and was a typical March day. At 8 A. M. the temperature was 57 degrees, but during the day the Weather Bureau sent out a warning of "Fair and much colder with cold wave; Sunday fair and colder, brisk to high west to northwest winds," and as early as last night at 8 o'clock the mercury had dropped to 50 degrees and was still further descending in the glass. The minimum during the day was 46 degrees and unless all indications fail, it will be quite cold today.

The telegraph companies experienced all sorts of trouble last night, wires being reported down to the north and south of Wilmington. At Spartanburg, S. C., a great sleet storm was prevailing last night and electric light, telephone, telegraph and all other wires were in the street, the city being in darkness.

THE CITY'S FINANCES.

January Very Good Month—Income of Municipality to Date.

An abstract of the report of the City Clerk and Treasurer to the Board of Aldermen tomorrow night will show a balance on hand January 1st, \$12,661.85; receipts for the month, \$19,747.49, which with a loan of \$4,000 during the month makes a total of \$36,409.34. The disbursements during the month were \$20,270.66, leaving a balance of \$16,138.68 to February account.

Capt. T. D. Meares, clerk of the Board of Audit and Finance, has prepared a statement showing that the receipts of the city to date have been \$142,932.14 since June 1st, against \$141,637.95 to a corresponding date in 1907, the gain being in favor of this year. This shows that the city finances are in good shape and that collections have been good, in spite of the financial stringency.

City Baseball League.

There will be a meeting of the City Baseball League at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday night of this week at which all plans for the coming season will be laid. Mr. James E. Willson has been chosen president of the League and will be its executive head. Mr. J. C. Douglass has been elected manager of the Giants and will put on the diamond a strong team the coming season.

Go to Lumina. Today cars every half hour 2 to 6. Oysters served at Lumina.

MONTH'S RECEIPTS

Cotton and Naval Stores Stock Report Posted Yesterday at Chamber of Commerce.

A HALF MILLION BALES

Naval Stores Show Falling Off From February Last Year, Except Rosin—Two Clearances of Vessels During Day.

The monthly stock report posted yesterday at the Chamber of Commerce shows some very interesting figures in regard to the cotton and naval stores movement through the port for the first month of the new calendar year.

While naval stores show a marked falling off from last season both for January and the crop year, this being probably due to the depression in prices, cotton has gone forward by leaps and bounds and before the end of the crop year the coming first of September, it is likely that the record will show Wilmington as having handled half a million bales. The receipts since last September up to yesterday were 433,124 bales against only 231,939 bales up to the corresponding date last season with much of the staple yet in this territory. The receipts for the past month were 56,251 bales against only 30,263 bales during January 1907. The foreign exports for the month were 58,308 bales against only 13,465 bales January a year ago. There were no domestic exports, practically every bale of cotton coming to Wilmington going by steamer abroad. The domestic exports since September 1st were only 3,220 bales against 2,209 bales up to the same date last season. The foreign exports up to this date have been 417,550 bales against 270,929 bales to February 1st in 1907. There is ashore at Wilmington 8,675 bales against 5,133 bales ashore and 2,325 bales afloat on the same date last year.

Naval stores receipts show a marked falling off in all items except rosin in which there was an increase for the month from 5,399 barrels January last year to 6,651 barrels the month just ended. Only 502 casks of spirits were received against 1,192 January last year; 813 barrels of tar against 4,227 last season and 547 barrels of crude against 1,124 barrels in January 1907.

There were two clearances of vessels from the port yesterday. The British steamer Cameron, Capt. Present, after completing discharging cargo of fertilizer constituents, was cleared by Messrs. Helde & Co., for Gulfport, Miss., and the schooner Edgewick, Capt. Hagarty, was cleared with lumber for Portland, Me. The cargo was by the Cape Fear Lumber Company; vessel by C. D. Maffitt.

W. E. BEATON INJURED.

Young Wilmingtonian Injured in Railroad Accident at Rocky Point.

While acting as flagman of a log train sent out on the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday morning, young Mr. W. E. Beaton, formerly a well known street car conductor of this city, was thrown violently from one of the cars and suffered a painful scalp wound and a fractured arm. The train was about Rocky Point and Flagman Beaton was standing on a rear car when the train either started back with a jerk or forwards. The flagman was thrown with considerable violence and a great hole was knocked in the top of his head with the possibility of skull fracture. He was picked up by other members of the train crew and was brought back to Wilmington and sent out to the James Walker Memorial hospital between 10 and 11 o'clock. His injuries while quite serious may not prove fatal. He is being given the best of attention.

REV F. B. ANDREWS DEAD

Retired Methodist Minister Well Known Throughout the State.

A telegram received in the city yesterday brought the sad news to friends and relatives that Rev. F. B. Andrews, a retired Methodist minister living the past few years at Whiteville, had passed away during the day at his home there. Rev. Mr. Andrews formerly resided in Wilmington and is well known throughout the conference. He had been in very feeble health for some time and a week ago it was expected that his death would come at any moment. He was nearing eighty years of age at the time of his death and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him.

The remains were brought to Wilmington on the late train from the South last night and will be taken on the morning train today to his former home in Wayne county for interment. The funeral party was met by several relatives and friends upon arrival of the remains here this morning.

Strouse & Brothers' expert cutter will be at J. M. Solky & Co.'s, February 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th, to take measurements for Spring orders.

Oyster Roasts. Cars every half hour, 2 to 6 P. M.

Our entire line of wool blankets reduced 5 per cent. Monday at Gaylord's.

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SUCH A HURRY UP LOT.

The Hungarian view of the American holiness question is set forth by Karl F. Linha, the Austrian vice consul at New York.

His utterances are valuable only that they illustrate his point of view. In an interview in a New York paper Mr. Linha says:

"The reason Gladys Vanderbilt married Count Szechenyi is that she wished to escape the fate of marrying an American, who would swallow her love as he does his lunch at a counter and then rush off again to business."

"But you Americans are such a hurry-up lot. You rush off to business in the morning, eat your lunch standing up in about two minutes, and rush off again to commercialism."

"Of course, I love you all for it, but what kind of a home can such an American give a wife? It is because you gulp your wife's love down in the same hurried fashion as you do your meals and then run off to leave them to their own amusement, that your wealthy girls who love travel and easy living resort to foreign noblemen for husbands."

"In our country a wealthy nobleman travels with his wife, sees to her amusement and helps her bring up their children, and there is no business to take him off without his overcoat and no lunch counters."

Mr. Linha said that Miss Vanderbilt would have to learn the customs of the nobility, and that the count would have to accustom himself to the ways of Americans. "Once both parties have understood each other in this respect they will be happy," he declared.

The vice counsel denounced the American impression that the nobles of other countries crossed the seas to exchange soiled titles for American gold.

"It is untrue that our nobility come here to capture American fortunes and give nothing but a soiled name in return," he declared. "Over in my country we say the same thing about you. Your people come over there and buy our titles with your money."

Mr. Linha might have added that there is no case on record where the title holder refused to sell when the American gold was offered.

There have been cases, many of them, where the offer of the title was spurned with scorn.

GROUND HOG DAY.

This is the day on which the much abused ground hog is supposed to arouse from his slumber and come out of his hole to take a look at the weather.

We hope it will be to his satisfaction and that he will attend church. It is some years since a ground hog day came on Sunday.

Should he see his shadow he will immediately return to Winter quarters and we may know that there will be six more weeks of bad Winter weather. But should the day be cloudy he will remain out and we may know that the backbone of Winter is broken.

We don't believe in all this nonsense but there are a great many people that do, and we suppose they have as much right to their individual opinions as we have to ours.

PRESIDENT ELLIOT IS WRONG.

President Elliot of Harvard College is having another storm of criticism hurled at his head.

This time it is because he wants a law passed, compelling children to learn the trade the teacher thinks the child is best qualified to learn. This is a nice theory, but we don't think it would "work out in practice."

A trade is a good thing to know but we believe the child should have some say-so as to which trade it is to take up.

We do not believe any young man will become an expert in any trade in which he is not interested and in which he did not enter voluntarily.

A FULL MEMBERSHIP.

The re-election of United States Senator Witmore in Rhode Island now gives the Senate full membership.

There are sixty-one Republicans and thirty-one Democrats on the roll, and had not Oklahoma in its admission as a State elected two Democratic Senators, the upper branch would now be Republican—for the first time in a generation—by a two-thirds majority.

A RUINOUS VICTORY.

(Railroad Journal.)

We are told that the reduction of passenger fares half a cent a mile is a great "victory" for the people—and the reform administrations.

But is it a "victory" for the 100,000 idle wage earners in the South who want work, and can't get it?

Is it a "victory" which is appreciated by 300,000 wage earners in the South whose wages or hours have been reduced? Are the owners and employees of the idle saw mills, furnaces, mines and factories shouting Hallelujahs over this glorious "victory?" We have not read of any country merchants celebrating the "victory," nor have we heard of a single mass meeting of farmers anywhere in the United States rejoicing over the triumph.

Then who are celebrating? A few office holders and the reform press, with a sprinkling of office seekers. These politicians and their newspaper allies have to "holler" and try to fool the people because thousands of the latter are condemning them.

How the people out of jobs do love Governors Glenn, Smith and Comer for these "victories" which have shaken the confidence of investors in Southern enterprises and caused a semi-paralysis of business!

In their affection for the political agitators, labor and capital stand together. The loss which the demagogues have brought on labor, to say nothing of capital, runs up into the millions and the total loss to the South due to these three men and their kind, reaches half a billion dollars in money, a river of tears from hungry women and children crying for bread, a million walls from despondent men out of employment and how many lives only the good God knows! Another "victory" like this one over the railroads, and the South will be in almost as pitiable a condition as it was at the close of the war.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—No anarchist would dare blow up the American fleet. Think what the President would say about him!—Philadelphia Ledger.

—Taft need not burn the bridges behind him. Not many will be left after he sets foot upon them.—Atlanta Constitution.

—Cuba should be handed back to Cubans when the Republicans of the Joe Cannon persuasion revise the tariff.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

—When, by the way, shall we begin to bestow a part of our attention on the important matter of preventing miners from being killed by the hundred?—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

—The increase in pharmacies that follows in the wake of the prohibition law does not mean that booze is essential to health; according to supply and demand, the closed saloon is succeeded by the open drug store.—Houston, Texas, Chronicle.

—When the President presents a silver spoon to a police captain in recognition of the fact that he is the father of eight sons such honors begin to seem a little cheap. If justice is to be done, the government will have to start a spoon factory.—New York Sun.

—The prospect for the next few months, then, is that better times are coming, that the demand for labor will increase until the ranks of the unemployed dwindle and that the improvement in industrial conditions will be gradual but steady.—Boston Advertiser.

The Chicago Tribune is of the opinion that the health of children is just as important as the health of hogs. Is it strange that such a doctrine should be preached in Chicago, where the hog is supposed to be the emblem of everything that is looked upon as success?—Charleston Press.

—South Carolina's Legislature has "set down" on State prohibition, sticking to the local option idea. This reminds us that in this very town—and no doubt in many others—there are numerous prohibitionists of the fire-tried variety who are opposed to a vote on State prohibition. Sounds queer, but it is a fact. And they back it up with sound arguments. They say if Wilmington, Salisbury and the rest want to sell liquor they have a right to do it; that any community can, if it so desires, get rid of it. They are of course looking ahead; they fear that if State prohibition prevails, numbers of the towns now selling liquor will violate the law so outrageously that it will in time be brought in to great disfavor and after a few years this will spread to the entire State, causing a revolution in public opinion, resulting, perhaps, in restoring saloons in some towns that are now dry and likely to remain dry under local option conditions. In all of which there is considerable sense. But the astonishing thing about it is that there are some prohibitionists who are opposed to State prohibition.—Greensboro Record.

TINKLINGS.

—"Do you know just how high her voice goes?" "Six dollars—at least, that's what I paid for my seat."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

—"Boyee—Why did you bid Jones such an affectionate farewell just now?" "Joyce—I loaned him five dollars."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

—"His Accomplishment.—Knicker—Can you ride down the side of a precipice?" "Bocker—No, but I can sit tight on a bluff."—New York Sun.

—"Stella—A lawyer says that women are less truthful under oath than men."

Bella—Wonder if he ever say a bunch of men swearing off taxes?—New York Sun.

—"Necessity.—"I declared the inventor, "am led to invention." "How do you like your mother-in-law?" Inquired his practical friend.—Washington Herald.

—"Yes; I am going to marry Mr. Bullion." "Why, he is old enough to be your father!" "I know he is; but, unfortunately, he doesn't seem to care for mother."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

—"The Mother—Are you going to be a public speaker when you grow up, Tommie?" "The Boy—No, I guess I'm just going to be somebody's husband."—Yonkers Statesman.

—"Was your husband shocked at the book?" "He was when he learned that I had bought it instead of getting it from the public library."—Washington Herald.

—"Welcome Prospect—Solicitor for Charity—I'd like to put you down for a few thousand. Broker (who has just gone broke in the market)—Sure! When do I get it?—Louisville Herald.

—"Going to win out with your new musical comedy?" "Win out? We can't lose. Got a 1,200-pound sextette and a comedian who can wiggle his ears."—Washington Herald.

—"Similar Symptoms.—"Pardon me, sir," suavely said the passenger who wished to borrow one for a few moments, "but have you a fountain pen?" "Naw!" replied the grouchy traveler. "I live next door to a public school; that's what makes me look so savage."—Puck.

—"Woman of the House.—A big, strong man like you going around begging! You ought to be ashamed of yourself!" Tufford Knutt (touching his eyes with a grimy handkerchief)—"I am, mum. It mortifies me 'most to death. Folks ginerly treats me well on that account, mum."—Chicago Tribune.

OLD ROMAN BATHS.

They Held Theaters, Temples, Feasting Halls and Libraries.

The ancient Romans were extravagantly fond of bathing. They got their notions about the bath as a luxury from the Greeks, and at one time there were nearly 900 public bathing establishments in Rome, some of which were the most beautiful and elaborate structures in the world.

The baths of the Emperor Diocletian covered more than half a square mile and contained, besides immense basins and thousands of marble recesses, theaters, temples, halls for feasting, promenades planted with trees, libraries, schools for youth and academies for the discussions of the learned. The bathers sat on marble benches below the surface of the water, around the edge of the basins, scraping themselves with dull knives of metal and ivory and taking occasional plunges into the water.

Dissipated Romans would spend whole days in the bath, seeking relief from overindulgence in eating and drinking the night before. Everybody, even the emperor, used these baths which were open to every one who chose to pay the price of admission.

It was not usual for the old Romans to have baths in their houses, though at a date 1,500 years before that, or 3,500 years ago, the noblemen of ancient Greece had their dwellings supplied with baths of terra cotta.

Blood From a Stone.

The open terrace in front of the Dewan-Khas consists of two thrones, the black one of which, facing the river, was cut out of a single slab of stone in 1603. This black throne, which is about eleven feet long and supported by octagonal pedestals, was built by Akbar in recognition of his son's title to the empire. Here Jehangir used to sit occasionally and see the fight of wild animals arranged for his amusement. The crack on the throne is believed to have been caused by Lord Lake's bullet falling upon it during the attack of 1803. According to tradition, however, it cracked when the Jat king of Bharatpur sat on the throne, for it was meant to be used by the great mogul. Then, again, when Lord Ellenborough sat on it during the Kabul war in 1842 blood is supposed to have come out of it.—East Indian World.

Fish For the Brain.

Replying to a "Young Author," Mark Twain wrote: "Yes, Agassiz does recommend authors to eat fish, because the phosphorus in it makes brains. So far you are correct. But I cannot help you to a decision about the amount you need to eat—at least not with certainty. If the specimen composition you sent is about your fair usual average, I should judge that a couple of whales would be all you would want for the present—not the largest kind, but simply good, middle sized whales."

The Kitchen Antecdot.

"Yes, ma'am, an' now that I'm goin' to take hold here I'll settle th' permit business first of all. You see, I carry me own fountain pen. There, take that an' don't lose it."

"What is this?" "That's a permit, ma'am, for you to visit th' kitchen. It entitles you to one visit a week. If you come oftener th' permit will be taken up, an' don't you forget it!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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NORTH CAROLINA.
Duplin County,
In the Superior Court.

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.

W. R. Newbury on behalf of himself and all other Stockholders and Creditors.

VS.
The H. E. Newbury Company.
THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
TO THE SHERIFF OF DUPLIN
COUNTY—GREETING:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED

To summon The H. E. Newbury Company, the Defendant above named, if it be found within your County, to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior Court at the Court to be held for the County of Duplin at the Court House in Kenansville on the second Monday before the first Monday in March, 1908, and answer the complaint which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County within the first three days of the term, and let the said Defendant take notice that if it fails to answer the said complaint within that term, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint and the cost of this action to be taxed by the Clerk.

Herein fall not, and of this summons make due return.

Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of January, A. D., 1908.

D. H. WALLACE,

Clerk of the Superior Court, Duplin County.

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J. HICKS BUNTING, Druggist, 303 North Front.
B. C. MOORE, Druggist, 715 North Fourth.

PHONE 249.

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NOTICE.
The Atlantic National Bank, located at Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, is closing its affairs.

All note holders, and other creditors of the Association are therefore hereby notified to present the notes or other claims for payment.

JNO. S. ARMSTRONG,
President.

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NOTICE.

TO THE CREDITORS OF THE H. E. NEWBURY COMPANY:

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE

HEREBY notified to present your claim against The H. E. Newbury Company of Magnolia, N. C., in writing, duly verified within thirty days from this date and any creditor failing to present his claim within the above time will be barred from participating in the distribution of the assets of the corporation.

This January 20th, A. D., 1908.

M. B. TAYLOR, Receiver,
Ja 22-30days Magnolia, N. C.

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TO THE BEACH
Suburban Schedule

(In effect Wednesday, Jan. 8th, 1908.)
Daily except Sunday.

LEAVE.		Wrightsville Beach	
Wilmington East Bound	Wrightsville Westbound	Wilmington East Bound	Wrightsville Westbound
7:00 A. M.	6:25 A. M.	7:45 A. M.	7:15 A. M.
8:30 A. M.	7:55 A. M.	9:00 A. M.	8:30 A. M.
10:00 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	10:45 A. M.	10:15 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	12:15 P. M.	11:45 A. M.
1:00 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	1:45 P. M.	1:15 P. M.
3:00 P. M.	1:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.	3:15 P. M.
4:30 P. M.	3:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.	4:45 P. M.
6:15 P. M.	5:05 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	6:45 P. M.
8:00 P. M.	6:55 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	8:45 P. M.
10:00 P. M.	8:55 P. M.		

Sunday Schedule.

LEAVE.		Wrightsville Beach	
Wilmington East Bound	Wrightsville Westbound	Wilmington East Bound	Wrightsville Westbound
9:00 A. M.	8:55 A. M.	9:45 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
10:00 A. M.	9:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.	10:15 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:25 A. M.	12:15 P. M.	11:45 A. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:55 P. M.	1:45 P. M.	1:15 P. M.
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3:00 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.	3:15 P. M.
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8:00 P. M.	8:55 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	8:45 P. M.
10:00 P. M.	10:30 P. M.		

Freight Schedule.

Happenings and Doings In Society.

BY M. H.

Miss Mamie Bryan, of Tarboro; N. C., is the guest of Miss Mary Clark much to the delight of her many friends here.

Mr. Graham Kenan, one of Wilmington's most prominent young lawyers, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Flagler, in St. Augustine, Fla.

Miss Grace Whitaker, of Winston, N. C., who has been visiting Miss Virginia Bailey, is now the guest of Miss May Ella Moore on Orange street.

Miss Mary Phelps, of Washington, D. C., is in the city, where she will spend some time as the guest of Captain and Mrs. Earl I. Brown on South Third street.

Mr. Edward Graham Meares, of Asheville, N. C., was in the city for a few days during the past week, and was warmly welcomed by his many friends here.

The many friends of Miss Mary Nash will be glad to learn that she arrived on Tuesday last, and is visiting her parent, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Nash on South Third street.

The numerous friends of Miss Luciana Polson, will regret to know that she left on Wednesday last for Spartanburg, S. C., where she is attending Converse College.

One of the most attractive teas of the week was that given by Miss Alice LeGrand, at her home on Orange street, on Tuesday afternoon. Miss LeGrand entertained about thirty of her friends and a most pleasant and informal afternoon was spent by all those who were present.

A large number of the members of the Cape Fear Golf Club gathered at the Club on Saturday afternoon, at three o'clock to participate in a "house warming," at which a box was placed to receive contributions from the various members for the improvement of the Club House. The usual golf tournament was played over the course, after which refreshments were served.

One of the most delightful "Teas" of the season, was the one given by Mrs. Cornelius VanLeuven, on Wednesday afternoon, complimentary to her friend, Miss Natalie Ouderslous, of Baltimore, Md., at her attractive apartments at the "Carolina." There were about thirty guests present, all of whom carried away with them the remembrance of a most enjoyable afternoon.

Speaking of the marriage of Mrs. Grace Kidder Ford, widow of Paul Leicester Ford, the celebrated novelist, to Dr. Williams in New York, the Asheville Citizen of a recent date says: "Mr. Ford was frequently the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt at Blithmore House before his marriage and who placed a very beautiful memorial window in All Soul's Church after his untimely demise."

Miss Alice Reston Smith was the hostess of a very delightful card party, on Thursday evening, at the attractive home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Smith, on North Third street. Six hand euchre was played, and there were about twenty-four guests. The ladies' prize, a very pretty picture, was won by Miss Athalia LeGrand, and the gentlemen's prize, a pack of cards, was won by Mr. Joe Jacobs.

Before leaving for the return to China via New Orleans and New York last week Mr. and Mrs. William B. Walker delightfully entertained a large party of their friends in the parlors of The Orton. Many regrets were expressed at the early departure of Mr. and Mrs. Walker whose visit upon this occasion gave great pleasure to their many friends here and elsewhere in the State where a part of their time was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Sabiston, formerly of Jacksonville, Fla., but who are now residing in Norfolk where Mr. Sabiston has a position with a large advertising firm, were in Wilmington a few days the past week and were cordially greeted by their many friends. Mr. Sabiston was formerly with the Atlantic Coast Line in Wilmington and Mrs. Sabiston is pleasantly remembered as Miss McManus, a daughter of Mr. T. S. McManus.

After a visit of several months to this country, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Walker, and children, left on Tuesday last, for their home in Hong Kong, China. After leaving Wilmington, they went to New Orleans, where they will pay a short visit, and from there they will go to Seattle, Washington, from which place they will sail for the Orient. All of their friends here regret very much to learn of their departure, and extend to them best wishes for a "bon voyage."

Miss Nellie Durham was the hostess of a very delightful card party given on Tuesday of last week complimentary to Miss Helen Dupree of Spartanburg, S. C. There were three tables of bridge, the first prize, a pack of cards, being won by Miss Amoret Lord. The recipient of the booby prize was Mr. Davis Howes who received a lemon. All the guests spent a most enjoyable evening and Miss Durham, as usual, proved herself a most charming hostess.

Miss Amoret Wooten delightfully entertained her card club on Tuesday afternoon, at her home on South Third street, which is composed of the following young ladies: Misses Nellie Durham, Anne Munda, Blanche Chadbourn, Reba Myers, Maria Mamit, and Mrs. Paul L. Cantwell. Mrs. Albert Stockard, and Misses Florence Kidder,

Jennie Murchison, Ida Evans, and Mary Payne were also guests of the Club. Six hand euchre was played, after which delicious refreshments were served.

The following invitation has been issued to friends in this city and elsewhere:

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Coote Brown request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter Ida Rankin to

Mr. Thomas Leadbeater Spelden on the evening of Wednesday, the twelfth of February nineteen hundred and eight at six o'clock. Saint James' Episcopal Church, Wilmington, North Carolina.

The musically inclined are looking forward with much pleasure to the appearance of Mr. Edward Baxter Perry, the celebrated blind pianist at the Academy of Music tomorrow night. Mr. Perry appeared to fine advantage before a Wilmington audience several years ago and there are many who heard him then will take great pleasure in hearing him upon this occasion. He uses in his recitals a magnificent Grand Knabe piano which has already been shipped to Wilmington for his express use.

A very attractive luncheon was that given by Miss Jennie Murchison, complimentary to the members of the Alpha Kappa Si Sorority, who are in this city, on Tuesday last. The place cards were dainty little hand-painted cards, being the shape of the Sorority pins. Those who were present were: Misses Elovine Burruss, Marguerite Walker, Ida Evans, Warrenton, Va., Grace Whitaker, Winston, N. C., Florence Kidder, May Ella Moore, Elise Emerson, Helen Strange, Nannie Holaday and Virginia Bailey. The table was beautifully decorated with violets and jonquills and those who partook of Miss Murchison's hospitality will long remember this pleasant event.

The January German of L'Arioso German Club, was danced in the Masonic Temple, on Thursday evening of last week, and while it was not a very large dance, it was one of the most delightful that has been given by that Club this season. The dance was led by Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., in his usual graceful manner, and the Ball Room was beautifully decorated for the occasion. A number of out of town guests were present, those being: Mr. Ross McNeill, of Baltimore, Md., Miss Ida Evans, Warrenton, Va., Miss Grace Whitaker, Winston-Salem, N. C., Miss Wilson, Baltimore, Miss Sena Critz, Winston-Salem, Miss Pat Woods, Darlington, S. C., Miss Phelps, Washington, D. C., Miss Natalie Ouderslous, Baltimore, Md.

Judge and Mrs. C. A. Barnes, of Jacksonville, Illinois, are expected the middle of the week to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Meares, on Market street. Judge Barnes is supreme chancellor of the Knights of Pythias in the United States and will be shown much consideration by the order in Wilmington while he is here, several features of entertainment having already been arranged in his honor. Mrs. Barnes has been spending the past week the guest of Mrs. T. S. Franklin, wife of the Mayor of Charlotte, and she will be joined there by her husband, both later proceeding to Wilmington. Mrs. Franklin and her guest went to Statesville from Charlotte yesterday and will be the guests of Mrs. Earl S. Pegram.

The host of friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Latimer will be interested to learn that they left on Saturday for New York City, from which place they will sail on February the sixth, on the steamer "Arabic," to go on Clark's Tour on a cruise in the Mediterranean and to the Orient. Among the many places to be visited are Madeira, Cadiz, Seville, Granada and the Alhambra.

(Continued on Fifth Page.)

THE ART OF ACTING.

What Amateurs Who Would Become Stars Must Learn.

It is surprising to discover how very differently people who have played parts all their lives deport themselves before the footlights. I was acquainted with a lady in London who had been the wife of a peer of the realm, who had been an ambassador at foreign courts, who at the time had been a reigning beauty and who came to me longing for a new experience and imploring me to give her an opportunity to appear upon the stage.

In a weak moment I consented, and, as I was producing a play, I cast her for a part which I thought she would admirably suit—that of a society woman. What that woman did and didn't do on the stage passes all belief. She became entangled in her train, she could neither sit down nor stand up, she shouted, she could not be persuaded to remain at a respectful distance, but insisted upon shrieking into the actor's ears, and she committed all the gaucheries you would expect from an untrained country wench.

But because everybody is acting in private life every one thinks he can act upon the stage, and there is no profession that has so many critics. Every individual in the audience is a critic and knows all about the art of acting. But acting is a gift. It cannot be taught.

You can teach people how to act acting, but you cannot teach them to act. Acting is as much an inspiration as the making of great poetry and great pictures. What is commonly called acting is acting acting.—Richard Mansfield in Atlantic.

A Compromised Fee

[Original.]

In antebellum days Oliver Otis, a young lawyer just admitted to practice, being physically delicate, concluded to take up his residence in Louisiana, where the climate is less rigorous than in the north. The slavery agitation was on, and the northerner found making an entry either socially or professionally slow work. But there is one field in which at the age of twenty-three progress is never slow—the field of love. Otis and Antoinette Le Bert, the daughter of a sugar planter, met, and their hearts fused as readily as if there was no war cloud gathering between their respective sections.

But, while Antoinette's father had no objection to Otis on account of being a northerner, he had serious objections to him on account of his poverty, for the young man on his arrival at his new home had not \$100 in the world. Nevertheless Mr. Le Bert was friendly to his daughter's lover, probably because Otis was too manly to pay court to a girl he was not able to marry. Indeed, Otis considered marriage with Miss Le Bert as impossible as did her father. Mr. Le Bert gave him what little law business he had and was impressed with the ingenious methods the young man employed to gain his ends.

One day Mr. Le Bert placed a collection for a goodly sum in the lawyer's hands and in doing so said to him:

"Le Grand Bouvier, who owes me this debt, is a fire eater of the worst kind. He hates a northerner as he hates snakes. He is a duelist, a dead shot, and has killed several men under the code duello. There is no lawyer hereabout who will take the collection. The amount is \$13,000. If you will find a way to force or persuade him to pay it you shall have half for a fee. But remember you must exercise the greatest care not to offend him, for if you do he will challenge you, and if you refuse him satisfaction sentiment here will be against you, and you will have to go elsewhere. Besides, I do not care to antagonize Le Grand Bouvier myself—not that I fear him, but we southerners consider it beneath us to press a claim for debt, especially from one of our own class."

Otis took the papers in the case and said that he would look into it. He neither spoke to Mr. Le Bert about it nor Mr. Le Bert to him till one morning a week later when the client rushed into Otis' office with a letter in his hand and threw it down before him. It read:

"Sir—I have received an insulting letter from a young gutter snipe from the north demanding payment of my indebtedness to you, in which he uses the word 'dead-beat' and accuses me of having obtained your property under 'false pretenses.' I desire to know if you assume responsibility for the puppy's insults. I have the honor to be your most obedient servant, LE GRAND BOUVIER."

Le Bert expected to see Otis pale when he read the letter, but he did not. He wrote on the face of it:

My note was written without the knowledge of Mr. Le Bert, and I alone am responsible for it. OLIVER OTIS.

Handing it back to Le Bert, he resumed the work at which he was engaged as if nothing unusual had occurred.

"Are you aware," asked Le Bert, "what this means?"

"Perfectly."

"Very well. If you want to get a hole in you, go ahead."

That evening a gentleman with very black hair and eyes who spoke softly the creole dialect called upon Otis with a demand for satisfaction on the part of Bouvier. Otis asked if he would be expected to fight under the Louisiana code. The visitor said that his principal was so enraged that he would fight under any code, whereupon Otis said that in some states the code especially stipulated that there should be no meeting between two persons wherein one owed the other money; that he was personally interested in the debt due from Mr. Bouvier, therefore his challenger was his debtor. He could not accept any challenge from Mr. Bouvier until the debt had been paid.

The visitor departed, and nothing more was heard of the affair for ten days, when Mr. Le Bert received a check for the full amount of his claim with interest. The payment had not been made five minutes when Mr. Bouvier's second called at Otis' office. Mr. Le Bert came in at the same moment with his check. The second politely informed Otis that, there being nothing in the way of the meeting, his principal expected it would take place without delay.

Then Otis placed his hand on his heart, made a profound bow and said: "May I ask you to convey to Mr. Bouvier my sincere and humble apology? I supposed him to be what I called him, but I see I was mistaken. I have proof in the payment of this debt that he is an honorable man."

The creole looked surprised through his soft black eyes, bowed, turned and left the office. And that was the last of the prospective duel between Oliver Otis and Le Grand Bouvier.

That afternoon Mr. Le Bert sent Otis a check for \$6,883.75, exactly half the amount of the collection. Otis returned it with a bill for legal services for \$25. Mr. Le Bert strove in vain to induce him to accept the larger amount without success. Otis averred that it was not in the north considered at that time professional to take cases on shares. The matter was finally compromised by the check being drawn to Miss Le Bert for a present on her wedding with Otis. Le Grand Bouvier sent a clock of the time of Louis XV.

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45-inch Fine French Lawns, 30c quality, White Sale price.....24c

15c fine quality of white Persian Lawn, 34 inches wide. White Sale price.....12c
20 cent Sheer Persian Lawns, White Sale price.....16c

35 cent Fine and Sheer Persian Lawn, White Sale price.....25c
15 cent White India Linen, White Sale price.....12c

40-inch White Lawn, White Sale price, special.....11c
40-inch Sheer White Lawn, a regular 25c value, White Sale price.....17c

50 cent Linen Lawns, Sheer quality, White Sale.....39c
36-inch Costume Linen, White Sale price.....25c

Costume Linens all reduced, 35c quality 25c; 50c quality 40c; 60c quality 50c.

\$1.50 Long Cloth \$1.30; \$1.75 Long Cloth \$1.45; \$2.50 Long Cloth \$2.15.

36-inch English Nainsook, sold by the yard, a regular 18c value, White Sale, per yard.....13c
12 yards of English Nainsook, worth \$1.75, White Sale.....\$1.45

36-inch Lonsdale Cambric, White Sale price.....10c
15c Bleached Sheet, special White Sale.....11c
15c Linen Finish Capitol Cloth, White Sale, special.....11c
30c White Flannel, Special White Sale.....22c

WHITE SPREADS.

\$1.00 White Spreads, White Sale price.....85c
\$1.25 White Spreads, White Sale price.....\$1.10
\$1.50 White Spreads, White Sale price.....\$1.25

\$2.00 White Spreads, White Sale price.....\$1.50
15c Linen Huck Towel, White Sale price.....12c
35c Extra quality Linen Huck Towel, White Sale price.....25c

12 1-2c Linen Toweling, White Sale price.....9c
35c very large Turkish Bleached Towel, White Sale.....25c
25c very large Turkish Towel, White Sale price.....20c
15c Bleached Turkish Towel, White Sale price.....10c

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The largest assortment ever shown in Wilmington will now be found at our store.

10c, one lot of fine Cambric edgings and insertings on display, worth 15c to 18c.

15c. Another lot of wide and medium width of Embroidery, worth 20c to 25c.

25c A third lot of very fine Swiss and Nainsook Embroidery, worth 40c to 50c.

10c One lot of 200 pieces of Cluny Lace and Inserting. Among the lot are some 25c values. All go at.....10c

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DAYS OF BOGAN CASH

South Carolina's Last Duel According to Regular Duelling Code—Details Read Like a Modern Romance.

Who, at all acquainted with the history of South Carolina and the border counties of this State, has not heard of Bogan Cash, his unflinching courage, deeds of daring and scenes of carnage? Mr. J. H. Godfrey, in the Anderson, S. C., Daily Mail, contributes an interesting story of those times in the Palmetto State and the last duel fought in South Carolina according to the accepted duelling code. Mr. Godfrey says:

"The last duel fought in South Carolina, according to the regular duelling code, was fought about twenty-three years ago when Col. E. B. Cash shot and killed Colonel Shannon.

"This duel occurred at Dubose's bridge, then in Darlington county, but now in Lee.

"The people of the lower part of this State have this incident fresh in their memories, but the majority of the upper country people have forgotten it. At the time, it caused a great deal of talk all over the State, but a greater part of this talk subsided when Colonel Cash was acquitted by a Darlington jury.

"It will be recalled that Colonel Cash was one of the most prominent citizens of his community. He owned considerable land and was a prosperous planter. His wife was Miss Ellerbe, of one of the best families in lower South Carolina.

When the war between the States broke out, Colonel Cash was one of the first to go to the front. He was elected colonel of a regiment, which position he held until his term, to which he had been elected, expired. When the second election of officers of the regiment was held, Colonel Cash's name was dropped out. It is said that on this account, he put some one in the ranks in his place, and then returned to his South Carolina home, saying that men were needed on the farms to raise provisions for the men in the army.

"It seems that Colonel Cash's wealth really belonged to his wife, and when they separated, she placed her estate in the hands of Shannon & DePass, prominent attorneys in Camden.

"Mrs. Cash had a brother named Bob Ellerbe, and it is frequently said that he caused the differences to exist between Colonel Cash and Colonel Shannon, which resulted in the duel. Others say that Colonel Cash, in need of money, looked to Colonel Shannon to supply his need, which Colonel Shannon refused to do. It is a matter of history, however, that Colonel Cash and his young son, Ellerbe Bogan Cash, Jr., who had only recently graduated as captain at the Virginia Military Institute, became enraged with Colonel Shannon and that both of them started by private conveyance from their country home at Cash's Station to Camden to challenge Colonel Shannon. It is further said that the father did not know that the son was on the same mission, nor did the son know that the father was on his way to issue a challenge. They made their trip separately, and when young Cash arrived at Camden he found that his father had been there before him and had already accorded Colonel Shannon a challenge, which was promptly accepted. Young Cash, although disappointed, then challenged Colonel Shannon's law partner, Mr. DePass, and likewise this challenge was accepted.

It was arranged that Shannon and the elder Cash should meet at Dubose's Bridge on a certain morning at sunrise. Colonel Cash was an excellent shot. His reputation was known far and wide.

True to their honor, Shannon and Cash appeared at the duelling place at the appointed hour. It is said that Colonel Cash wanted to test his pistol before the duel and that he did fire one shot through a board in a fence and that he afterwards emptied the remaining shots in the chamber through the same hole.

The decision as to who should have first shot was duly arranged according to the duelling code and it fell to Colonel Shannon's luck that he won. Colonel Shannon, who either was very much excited or because he was a poor shot, fired wide of his mark. It is said that his bullet hit in the mud directly in front of Colonel Cash and that it splattered mud on Colonel Cash's clothes. This did not unnerve the steady colonel, for he placed himself in position and fired and Shannon dropped dead.

It has been said that Colonel Cash wore a breast plate at the time of the duel, but this rumor has been denied by his friends and associates. Colonel Cash was arrested and his trial followed, which resulted in a verdict of "not guilty." It is said that he had a friend in the jury room who had agreed with him to display by a signal with his hand how the jury stood after retiring with the case and that after being out some time, Colonel Cash learned from his friend that several were for acquittal and the others for conviction. He then retired to get a full night's sleep without waiting to learn of the verdict.

The duel between young Cash and Mr. DePass never materialized. It was arranged that this duel should take place in Anson county, N. C. As Mr. DePass' road to the duelling place led him through Chesterfield court house, he was arrested there and put under peace bond. Some people had intimated that he allowed the news to go out to the court house before he arrived there that he expected to pass through on his way to the duel. This may be doing him injustice, but yet it is claimed by Cash's friends.

Colonel Cash died at a ripe old age. His son had quite a different ending. He was shot down and killed by a posse, who had been ordered by the Governor to kill him at sight. He had killed several people and he had been declared an outlaw.

It will be recalled that he and his bosom friend, Sam Lee, were found in a hut in a dense forest on the Pee-

Dee river and that the posse surrounded the house at daybreak one morning and began firing through the weatherboarding. Lee was the first inmate to leave the house. He jumped out of the door and was recognized by some of the members of the posse. But the men in the posse on the other side of the house could see nothing of him but his legs and fired on him. The result is that Lee is limping around near the Cash plantation even to this day. Young Bogan Cash was finally forced to leave his refuge, which proved to be not much of one, and as he stepped out of the door he was riddled with bullets. It is said that he fired several shots at the posse after he had fallen to the ground.

Bogan Cash was a good man when he left the Virginia Military Institute. It is said that he made the best captain that that institution ever had. But his associations, after his return to his home, were too much for him and he soon went from good to bad and from bad to worse. He was buried in the family burial ground near the front steps of the Cash mansion. And on his tombstone his aged father had this inscription cut: Ellerbe Bogan Cash, born— and murdered—.

And in Latin on the lower part of the slab is a verse which asks the question, Who shall atone for this foul deed and states that his best friend deserted him and shot him down.

It is a matter of history that a classmate, also a captain of the Virginia Military Institute, was captain of the Cheraw Guards during the occurrences related above and that this friend was ordered by the Governor to capture Cash dead or alive.

But the last duel in the State was between Colonel Cash and Colonel Shannon, for the South Carolina General Assembly soon after the duel, enacted an anti-duelling law, which is yet on the statute books of this State.

SYSTEM OF CHECKING.

Mr. Lilly B. Love, of Wilmington Has An Interesting Invention.

A recent issue of the Fayetteville Observer says:

"Mr. L. B. Love, of New York, is in the city. He is a native of North Carolina, was born in New Hanover county, and resided in Wilmington many years. He lived in Fayetteville for a short period a number of years ago. His visit here now has for its object the introduction of his check system for book-keepers, to the banks and to the large wholesale and retail stores, and to other establishments in which book-keeping is done on a large scale, and after modern methods.

"Mr. Love explained and demonstrated a method of eliminating errors in book-keeping which he devised while he was with a wholesale house in New York as head book-keeper. It is the fruit of a desire to overcome objectionable features of a most valuable check system that he had been using for years. The most serious objection being the tedious manner of arriving at the check figure. This Mr. Love claims he has reduced to a minimum and it really appears to us that he has a good deed to his claims. His method is most wonderful in its action, in fact, is a most marvelous play of figures. He showed us how a check system is applied to book-keeping in a general sense and the special manner in which his method is used to verify the work of shipping and billing clerks and it certainly looks to us that if an error is made it is simply a case of don't care. One of the peculiar things about it is, that you do not have to use a pen or pencil in proving any calculation, and another strange feature is that it will manipulate fractions with the same ease as it does whole numbers. As a time and labor saver, it is abreast the mechanical devices for offices.

"It commends itself to commercial and banking houses, but it is not confined to them alone for usefulness."

"THE CHIEFTAIN'S ADVICE,"

Then up spoke the "Noble Tar Heel," "Man who settled in the North State" And remarked in tones of wisdom, "We're to have an extra session, And revise the recent treaty, 'Waterwagon' is the pass-word, And it won't be like the old days When one chief said to the other 'So much time has passed between drinks.'"

But just listen now my children, What we've got to set our minds to, For the South will have a famine, And 'Old Corn' will be a memory Cherished memory of our Fathers, And the wild and sightless Tiger Will spring up on every corner, With its call that's most alluring And its poison that is deadly. So beware of my children, And oppose the foolish action Sought by 'Big Pale Face' in Raleigh Let the Big Chief keep his hobby, Let him drive the waterwagon, As for me I'll go the old trail, And I'm sticking to the war-path. "Nicc-Notlim."

January 28th, 1908.

—She—Did you ever stop to figure out how many hats in a year you could buy with the money you throw away on cigars? He—I have, dear, I could buy about 50 for myself, but only about three for you.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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By Rail and Water

Mr. Sam Henry, who was chief clerk to Master Mechanic Thomas, in the Atlantic Coast Line office at South Rocky Mount, is made chief clerk to Superintendent of Motive Power, J. S. Chambers, who recently removed from Wilmington to Rocky Mount.

Rock Hill, S. C., Jan. 27.—The Southern Power Company is preparing to resume operations at Rocky Creek, the development of which was suspended several months ago at the beginning of the money stringency, and the company is calling for five hundred laborers and handy men.

Newton, N. C., Jan. 29.—The Southern Power Company has finished its power house here and started the large dynamos last night. They are placing poles and wires to the Catawba Cotton Mills and the Newton Hosiery Mills, and will, in a few days, be ready to furnish electricity to these plants.

Railroad officials for the past two weeks have been argus-eyed or as near thereabouts as it has been possible for them to be. The legislatures of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia have all been in session and "regulation" has been the order in each of the assemblies. The usual number of freak bills have been introduced to down "the octopus" and the legal departments have been quite busy.

Although the estimated earnings of the Southern Railway for the third week in January show a decrease of \$108,499 over the corresponding week of last year, the record is far more gratifying than that of the second week, when the deficit amounted to \$244,875. From now on the returns will be more encouraging, as the effect of the reduction in expenses and a decided increase in the amount of traffic is just being felt.

The movement of freight on most of the Southern roads is increasing, so much so that railroad men believe the weekly and monthly reports will show decided gains within the next few weeks, especially as compared with the record for December, when the movement was dull. Added to this, the general reduction in expenses will guarantee more hopeful conditions, and thus dissipate for all time the reckless and unfounded talk that other roads than the Seaboard will be placed in the hands of receivers.

Reports from a number of points along the system show that the general belief is that the Seaboard Air Line will shortly be sold under a decree of the Federal court. The possibility of this however, is rather remote, as it will require much time for the receivers to get at the bottom and put the company on a rock foundation. So strong is the opinion that the Seaboard will prosper under the receivership arrangement that the public are looking forward to better days, when the stock will be worth more and when the service will come up to natural conditions in the road's territory, says the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad announces a reduction of 10 per cent, in the pay of all officers and employees receiving over \$166 per month, and bringing down to \$150 all monthly salaries between \$150 and \$166 per month, this becoming effective February 1. The reduction will apply to all officers from the president down. No change is made in the pay of a large number of clerks and other employees receiving \$150 or less a month, but it is understood that should further measures of economy be required, a revision of the rates of pay of all other employees will become a matter of necessary consideration. The reduction in most instances places salaries on the same basis as in 1905.

Recent railroad projects, says the Manufacturers' Record, are for a line 275 miles long from Gravitsch, Ark., to a point near Oberlin, Okla., for a line 50 miles long from St. Paul, Va., to the Breaks of the Big Sandy river, and for a line from Paducah, Ky., to a point 13 miles down the Ohio river, where a bridge is to be constructed. Completion of the one-mile-long tunnel of the Virginian Railway through the Allegheny Mountains points to the completion this year of the road from Norfolk to the coal fields. Work upon the western end of the line can now be pushed, as the tunnel will permit the transportation to that portion of the road of rails and the structural material necessary for its completion.

Washington, Jan. 22.—It is no secret of course, that the provision of the railroad rate bill passed by the last Congress most unpopular with the national lawmakers, is the one forbidding railroads to issue free transportation except to employees and certain other favored classes, none of those classes being members of Congress. Congress didn't want to incorporate that provision in the bill, but did so in response to public demand.

Now it develops that the anti-pass provision was too drastic. Some people are denied free transportation who ought to have it, and whose having it could work no possible harm. One class of such are the widows of men who have lost their lives in railway service. Bills have been introduced to so amend the law that they may have passes, but they will not pass. It is a pretty safe assumption that so long as members of Congress have to pay railroad fare the anti-pass bars will be let down for no one else.

Marked For Death. "Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Back Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at R. R. Bellamy's drug store, 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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Jerusalem, Alexandria, Cairo, the Nile, Naples, Pompeii, Rome, Nice and Monte Carlo. After which Mr. and Mrs. Latimer will spend many months in Europe visiting the places of interest in France, Germany, Holland, and the British Isles. They will be greatly missed by their many friends in this city, who extend to them their best wishes for a "bon voyage."

Miss Nannie Walters entertained a number of her friends at a "Tea" on Saturday afternoon, at her home on Orange street. Miss Walters is a most gracious hostess, and her guests, about forty in number, spent a delightful afternoon.

During the past week Mrs. Joshua T. James entertained about twenty-five of her friends at an afternoon "Tea," given complimentary to Mrs. W. E. Cox. A very delightful and informal afternoon was spent, the remembrance of which will long remain with those who were present.

Mrs. Nan Clark, of Tarboro, N. C., is in the city, where she will spend several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Marsden Bellamy, Jr. Mrs. Clark on her previous visits to Wilmington and the Beach has made many friends who extend to her a most cordial welcome.

The many friends of Miss Sadie Jones in this city, will be interested to learn that she was a guest at the marriage of Miss Gladys Vanderbilt to Count Scechenyi, which took place at the Vanderbilt home in New York City during the past week. Only a few intimate friends of the contracting parties and the immediate relatives were invited; the guests numbering in all about three hundred.

One of the small and informal bridge parties of the week was given by Miss Julia Worth on Monday evening last, complimentary to Miss Ida Evans, of Warrenton, Va., who is the guest of Miss Jennie Murchison. Those who were present were Miss Ida Evans, Miss Agnes McQueen, Miss Isabel Smallbones, and Mr. Milton Calder, Mr. Clarence Maffitt, Mr. W. Me Peck, and Mr. Richard Meares. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all of the guests.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Announcements by Wilmington Pastors for Pulpits Today.

First Church of Christ, Scientist Carolina Place: Services at 11 A. M. and 8:15 P. M. Subject of lesson sermon "Love." All are invited. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor: 4th Sunday after Epiphany, English service at 11 A. M., Vesper service at 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Wednesday night service and Bible study at 8:15 P. M. All services at present held in the Memorial Building, Sixth and Princess streets. A cordial invitation to all.

St. John's Church: 11 A. M., Litany sermon and Holy Communion. Sunday School at 4 P. M. 5 P. M. Evening prayer, short address. W. E. Cox, Rector. Strangers cordially invited. Church of the Good Shepherd, corner Sixth and Queen streets: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Evening Prayer and sermon at 7:30 P. M. Seats free; strangers cordially invited to attend. Rev. Thos. P. Noe, rector. Advent Christian Church, Sixth and Church streets, Elder J. T. Johnson, pastor, residence 610 South Second street: The order of services for Sunday will be as follows: Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Subject for morning, "The Model Church." Subject for evening, "A Touch of Faith." Willing Workers weekly meeting will be on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the church. Ladies' Mission Aid Society meeting Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the church. The Lord's Supper will be served after the sermon Sunday night. Sunday School on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. W. J. Reeves, superintendent, H. G. Saunders, secretary. Prayer meeting at the church Tuesday night at 7:30. Cottage prayer meeting extended to everybody to all these meetings. The choir is rendering excellent music.

Trinity M. E. Church South, corner Ninth and Market streets, Rev. W. L. Rexford, pastor: Preaching today at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 8 P. M. To all these services the public is cordially invited.

Grace M. E. Church, South, Rev. T. A. Smoot, pastor: Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. M. F. Allen, Superintendent. All are cordially invited. Bladen Street M. E. Church, Rev. W. E. Houtt, pastor: Services today at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. A cordial invitation to all to attend the services.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner Fourth and Orange, Rev. A. W. Seabreeze, rector. Morning service 11 o'clock; Sunday School at 3:30 o'clock. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Fifth Street Methodist Church, Rev. K. D. Holmes, pastor. Services today at 11:00 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Preaching by pastor. Sunday School at 3:00 P. M.; Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 8:00 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

At St. James' Church today, the services will be at 11 A. M. and 5 P. M. Sunday School at 3:45 P. M. All are invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church: North Fourth street, Rev. George S. Bearden, pastor: Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Young People's Society on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The public cordially invited.

Principal J. B. Huff, of the City High School, will address Southside Baptist Sunday School at 3 P. M. today. A rare treat is in store for all who come to hear this gifted speaker. Pastor Martin will preach at 11 A. M. 7:30 P. M., as usual. A cordial welcome awaits all who come.

NEWS OF SOUTH ROBESON WEEK AT LUMBERTON

Notes of Interest in Thriving Town of Fairmont — Reminiscence of the Old Stage Coach Days—Business Good

(Special Star Correspondence.) Fairmont, Feb. 1.—The farmers are already hauling quantities of fertilizer and are busy over tobacco beds for another crop. The tobacco crop of this part of the county brings in money in the middle of the year which used to be considered the "dry time."

A gentleman of this community remembers being ploughing in the field of his native home in Scotland when the news was brought to the village of the marriage of Queen Victoria. This is Mr. Alexander Taylor, one of the best men we ever knew and until recently an active farmer. We regret to know that he is now feeble but trust the Spring will revive him.

A curiosity in town is two patterns of "war time" cloth presented to Mrs. F. S. Floyd while she was visiting near Marion, S. C., by a friend, Mrs. Elvington. The cloth is blue and white and hand-made from the cotton field to the loom, the indigo being raised and dyed made by hand. It is soft and fine and not rotted in the least.

A very sad occurrence in town was the death on last Sunday of Mrs. Caroline Floyd, one of the oldest ladies in South Robeson. She lived alone close to a son, Mr. A. J. Floyd, one of whose sons remained with their grandmother every night. Late Tuesday afternoon while kneeling with her back to the fire she became unbalanced and fell backward and being feeble it was some time before she could extricate herself. There not being much fire her clothing did not get in a blaze but she was so deeply burned that she could not recover. Mrs. Floyd had a wide circle of relatives and friends and was beloved by all.

She was a typical lady of the old school dignified and aristocratic; very few like her are left in the land, and we are sorry to see them go.

Mr. H. H. Pittman, who was raised here but has been away several years, has returned to his native State with a gilt-edge record as a No. 1 Pharmacist and has bought out the Ashpole Drug Company, changing the name to the Pittman Drug Company, and will endeavor to show us how city drug stores are run. We are always glad for Robeson boys to come home, especially when they have made good elsewhere, and wish him great success.

Mr. F. C. Jones, Agent for the Ford automobile, is anxiously waiting for better roads so he can really show off his pretty new machine. The Ford is without doubt the prettiest machine we have ever seen and runs beautifully. He and Dr. Brown expect to visit Fayetteville by way of the historic old stage road next week.

By the way, to those who think Fairmont out of the world, it would be well to tell them we are near the old government stage road which took men, sengers and mail from the first North Carolina Railway from Weldon to Raleigh at Raleigh and whisked them through the country at a great rate with many tootings of horns and calling for horses, by way of Fayetteville, and Lumberton to deep water at Georgetown, S. C.

At the Powell plantation, near here the up-bound stage took breakfast and the black mammy autocat of the kitchen had an understanding with her friend the driver. Away over the old Ashley mill he would toot once for each passenger on his clear sounding bugle. Mammy, by the chicken coop in the back yard would listen for the signal, and just so many toots meant just so many chicken heads off, feathers plucked, frying pans sizzling, and hot fried Spring chicken ready for passengers as they came in hungry. If they were cross the very smell would put crossness to flight. Thinking of this at the price Spring chickens are now held, makes us long for "the good old times."

In spite of the late panic, the real estate business is lively here and prices rising. There were twelve deals in as many days lately, and more since then. Our bank is also in splendid condition and our town has never had a failure in business except twice several years ago of small grocers.

We have heard the expression "The World was made for the Drummers" and sometimes we are tempted to believe it. Our town has been full of them for weeks; but we are glad to see them as it shows the jobbers have faith in South Robeson.

We have had several parties of northern hunters during the season with more to come. Those who have been here have expressed themselves as delighted with the hunting and also with their treatment by N. A. Carter mine host of Robeson Inn.

During the year just closed our town made fine progress in building. Many really handsome residences being added to its list, and we trust our record may be as good at the close of 1908. We cordially invite "The Star Man" to "come and see."

Marked For Death. "Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Back Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 55 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at R. R. Bellamy's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Every Half Hour. Cars to Lumberton every half hour from 2 to 6 P. M. Oyster roasts at Lumberton.

H. & W. Cambric Underwaists for boys and girls, size 2 to 14 years, White Sale 23c, at Rehder's.

\$2.00 bed quilts, \$1.50; \$1.50 bed quilts, \$1.19 at Gaylord's Monday.

Tomorrow attend Polvogt's White Sale.

Doings at Robeson's County Seat—Botle Collector Doing Land Office Business — Popular Seaboard Air Line Conductor.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Lumberton, Feb. 1.—People in this vicinity are cautioned against buying fresh water fish caught hereabouts. Nets are being placed where they should not be.

Mrs. Eliza Fuller accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Ira B. Townsend, of Charlotte, visited friends and relatives in the Rowland section the first of the week. This was Mrs. Fuller's first visit to that section in fifty years.

Lumberton is a dry town, or rather it is said to be, but we heard a bottle collector make the statement this week that he recently gathered in four days six thousand quart bottles in and around town. He says that he filled three sugar barrels on one lot, and did not gather closely either. Does anyone think these bottles have been throwing about here since saloon days of long ago?

While in conversation a few days ago with a gentleman who lives in the far Northwest, he made the remark that during the last twenty years he had traveled many thousands of miles on railroads, but the politest and clearest conductor he had ever traveled with was the one he found on the Seaboard between Charlotte and Wilmington. Later we learned the conductor referred to was Capt. W. B. Williams.

Mr. N. T. Andrews has been appointed postmaster at Fairmont to succeed Mr. P. B. Thompson, whose term has expired. Mr. Andrews has taken charge.

A two weeks' term of Superior Court will convene here Monday for the trial of criminal cases, Judge Long presiding. We understand the docket for the term will be a large one.

Mr. J. L. Pittman died in East Lumberton last Sunday in the 74th year of his age. He had spent almost his entire life within ten miles of Lumberton.

Mr. S. F. Birthright of Washington City, has been visiting relatives in Lumberton this week, but leaves this evening for Havana, Cuba, on government business. Mr. Birthright left Lumberton for Washington several years ago where he has since held a responsible position in the paymaster's office of the U. S. Marine Corps.

As a result of looking up on booze and getting too officious, two policemen in East Lumberton have been relieved of their positions. While under the influence of liquor they arrested several gentlemen for being drunk and disorderly, but they fell down in court when they tried to prove anything.

The great auction sale of town lots which was held here this week, was attended by a large crowd and many lots were sold. Mr. H. C. Bridger, of Bladenboro, was the largest purchaser having secured eighteen lots.

Mr. Henry Pittman, residing in Wisheart's township, in the section known as the Burr Islands, where he has spent his entire life, and is now in his 84th year, was indicted before a magistrate here this week, charged with allowing his stock to run at large. The prosecutor being a man who admitted on the witness stand that he had been accused of barn burning, stealing cattle, etc. When people saw Mr. Pittman, in his feeble condition, riding ten miles, with the temperature below freezing, to answer the charge preferred, they thought of the dark days of 1868.

The seven-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Prevatt, residing near Moss Neck, was burned to death last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ira B. Townsend, who has been visiting relatives here for several days, returned to her home in Charlotte this morning.

—Tarboro Daily Southerner: Wesley Jarrett, a railway section man, gave up his wife near Marion to save east bound passenger train No. 11 from a wreck and probably death and injury to the 200 passengers on board. A section force, of which Jarrett was a member, were working along the tracks of the Southern Railway in an attempt to straighten the track. A large railway jack was being used when No. 11 was heard approaching. An effort was made to remove the jack from the track, where it would have derailed the train and sent it headlong down the steep mountain side 500 feet. The jack stuck and the combined efforts of the entire section crew could not move it. When No. 11 was almost upon them all the crew except Jarrett, fled for their lives. Jarrett threw himself in front of the engine and succeeded in loosening the jack, which rolled down the mountain. The train sped over him, crushing him to death beneath its wheels.

—Mt. Olive Tribune: Hazel West, the white woman who was acquitted of the murder of Mr. Sam Watts at her home in this city, at the last term of Wayne Superior Court, but who was held on a trivial charge until the present term of court, has been acquitted and set at liberty.

Polvogt's White Goods Sale. The annual event of the Polvogt Company, to hold a White Goods Sale will begin tomorrow morning at the store at 9 o'clock. The entire store has been decorated for the occasion, and very low and attractive prices have been made on all New Spring Goods. The Polvogt Company, always carried the largest assortment of lace and embroideries in the city and we venture to say no roof in this city has under it the assortment shown by The Polvogt Company. Sheets and Pillow cases at reduced prices. Ladies' Muslin Underwear at reduced prices, 25c Tourist Rushing 19c, Fancy Linen pieces 10c. All white goods displayed and reduced. Read their advertisement in this issue.

Special offerings in linens, 50c white sheer linen, 39c; 50c 84x112 Waist linen 39c; 50c Art Linen, shirt waist linen and linen cambric, 48c at Rehder's.

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COULD ELECT JOHNSON

President of Illinois Republican League So Believes.

BEATING BRYAN AN EASY TASK

Justus L. Johnson Declares Scandinavians of Country Are 95 Per Cent. Republican, but Would Vote for His Namesake of Minnesota Because of Clannishness—Says Figures Show Danger.

(Washington Post.) That Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, could be elected President next Fall, if nominated by the Democrats, and that no other Democratic candidate could be successful, is the belief of Justus L. Johnson, president of the Swedish American Republican League of Illinois, now in Washington. He declared yesterday to a Post representative that he could produce figures to substantiate his statement.

Speaks as Good Republican. "I speak as a good Republican, who is alarmed over the situation," said Mr. Johnson. "I would like nothing better than to see Bryan the Democratic nominee, because I believe he would be the easiest man for us to beat. I am a Swede, and I know my people. About 95 per cent. of them, or I should say, 95 per cent. of all the Scandinavians in the United States, are Republicans. But they are very clannish, and like nothing better than to have a chance to vote for one of themselves. It is surprising to see how many States there are in which they hold the balance of political power, if they only care to show it. I have been here trying to get a certain Cabinet officer to come out to Aurora and make a speech at the coming annual meeting of our league, and have been asked so many questions by members of my own party as to what would happen if the Democrats were to nominate Johnson, that I prepared a few figures to show what the real danger is."

Prepares Figures Showing Situation. This is the way Mr. Johnson views the situation: Electrical votes required to elect—242.

Purely Democratic—Alabama, 11; Arkansas, 9; Florida, 5; Georgia, 13; Kentucky, 13; Louisiana, 9; Maryland, 8; Mississippi, 10; Missouri, 18; North Carolina, 12; South Carolina, 18; Tennessee, 12; Texas, 18; Virginia, 12; Oklahoma, 7. Total, 166. Democratic in 1900 and normally Democratic—Colorado, 5; Idaho, 3; Montana, 3; Nevada, 3. Total, 14. States Johnson would carry—Minnesota, 11; Nebraska, 8; North Dakota, 4; Utah, 3; Washington, 5; South Dakota, 4. Total, 35.

States doubtful with Johnson a candidate—Wisconsin, 13; Wyoming, 3; Kansas, 10; Illinois, 27. Total, 53. States having large Scandinavian populations and percentage this population is of the whole—Minnesota, 33.74; Nebraska, 9.43; North Dakota, 33.38; South Dakota, 20.83; Utah, 14.52; Washington, 12.68; Illinois, 7.52; Kansas, 3.28; Wisconsin, 12.58; Wyoming, 10; Iowa, 8.15; Oregon, 5.45; Connecticut, 5.27; California, 4.83; New York, 2.20.

In the foregoing list of Democratic and doubtful States it will be seen that Mr. Johnson does not include New York, Ohio, Indiana, New Jersey, Connecticut, or Delaware.

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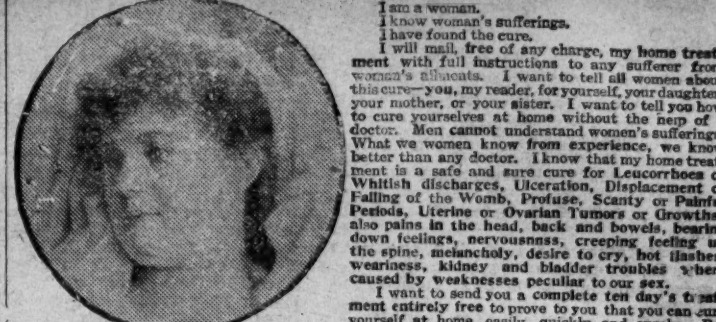
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I am a woman. I know woman's sufferings. I have found the cure. I will mail, free of any charge, my home treatment with full instructions to any sufferer from woman's afflictions. I want to tell all women about this cure—you, my reader, for yourself, your daughter, your mother, or your sister. I want to tell you how to cure yourselves at home without the help of a doctor. Men cannot understand women's sufferings. What we women know from experience, we know better than any doctor. I know that my home treatment is a safe and sure cure for Leucorrhoea or White discharges, Ulceration, Displacement of Falling of the Womb, Profuse, Scanty or Painful Periods, Uterine or Ovarian Tumors or Growths, also pains in the head, back and bowels, bearing down feelings, nervousness, creeping feeling up the spine, melancholy, desire to cry, hot flashes, weariness, kidney and bladder troubles, all caused by weaknesses peculiar to our sex. I want to send you a complete ten day's treatment entirely free to prove to you that you can cure yourself at home, easily, quickly and surely. Remember, that it will cost you nothing to give me your name and address, tell me how you suffer if you wish, and I will send you the treatment for your case, entirely free, in plain wrapper, by return mail. I will also send you free of cost, my book—"WOMAN'S OWN MEDICAL ADVISER" with explanatory illustrations showing why women suffer, and how they can easily cure themselves at home. Every woman should have it, and decide for herself. Thousands of women have cured themselves with my home remedy. It cures all old or young. To Mothers of Daughters, I will explain a simple home treatment which speeds up Ladies' Plumness and health always results from its use. 3. Wherever you live, I can refer you to ladies of your own locality who know and will gladly tell you how they have cured themselves of all women's diseases, and makes women well, strong, plump and robust. Just send me your address, and the free ten day's treatment is yours also the book. Write today, as you may not see this offer again. Address: MRS. M. SUMMERS, Box H. Notre Dame, Ind., U. S. A.

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The Morning Star

Sunday, February 2, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.
Sunday, February 2, 1908.
Meteorological data for the 24 hours
ending at 8 P. M., Saturday, February
1st:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 57 degrees;
8 P. M., 50 degrees; maximum 63 de-
grees; minimum 46 degrees; mean 54
degrees.
Rainfall for the day, 1.22; rainfall
for the month, 1.22.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river
at Fayetteville on Saturday at 8 A. M.,
11 feet with a rise in progress.

For North Carolina—Fair, much col-
der Sunday, with a cold wave and high
northwest winds; Monday fair, cold.

Port Calendar—Feb. 2.

Sun Rises 7:00 A. M.
Sun Sets 5:28 P. M.
Day's Length 10 hrs. 27 min.
High water at Southport 8:28 A. M.
High water at Wilmington 10:58 A. M.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. W. Fleet Co.—Walt.
D. L. Gore Co.—William Tell Flour.
Murchison National Bank—State-
ment.
J. H. Rehder & Co.—Big White
Sales.
The C. W. Polvogt Co.—White
goods.
J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co.—Prescrip-
tions.

J. M. Solky & Co.—Here is Your
Chance.
Seamen's Friend Society—Annual
Meeting.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Six White Goods
Bargains.
Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.—
Special Convocation.

Business Locals.

Lost—Ladies' Gold Watch.
Wanted—To Borrow \$4,000.
For Sale—Rare Tableware.
For Rent—Furnished Room.
J. E. Hall—Five Room Cottage.
For Rent—Nicely Furnished Room.
Moler Barber College—Learn The
Trade.
For Rent—Two Large Furnished
Rooms.
Wanted—To Purchase Business
Interest.
J. O. Brook—Electrical Engineer and
Contractor.
California Cider & Ex. Co.—Sales-
man Wanted.
Co-operative B. & L. Association—
Annual meeting.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. A. L. Holladay, of Raleigh, is
in the city spending a while with
relatives and friends.
—Mrs. W. A. Crawford, of South-
port, has just returned from a trip
visiting friends in Tampa, Fla., and
St. Louis, Mo.
—Miss Ruby Wiggs has returned to
her home in Chadbourne after spend-
ing several weeks visiting relatives in
this city.
—Yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville
Observer says: "Mr. N. D. Emerson
is spending Sunday with Mrs. Em-
erson, who is the guest of her sister,
Mrs. Ben McMillan."
—Fayetteville Observer: "Mrs.
Henry Parsley and son, Oscar, have
returned to Macon, Ga., after a visit
to Capt. and Mrs. J. D. McNeill on
Bow street."
—Mrs. J. M. Solky has returned
from a three weeks' visit to New York.
She was accompanied by her sister-in-
law, Mrs. J. E. Sperling, who will be
her guest for some time.
—A. K. Powers, Esq., of Pender, has
been spending several days in the city
on professional business. He has
lately returned from Jacksonville, Fla.,
to practice in his native county and
has a bright future before him.
—Greensboro Telegram: "Mr. R.
L. Boyd, who is now manager of the
Wilmington exchange of the Southern
Bell Telephone Company, went to Bur-
lington yesterday afternoon after
spending a day or so here. He was
formerly manager of the local ex-
change."
—Mr. J. King Corbett left yesterday
for Richmond, Va., where he will be
in charge of the office of the Kanawha
Dispatch Route, the headquarters of
which have been removed from this
city. Many friends of Mr. Corbett
regret the change of his headquarters
and hope that they will see him here
often on business and pleasure trips.

COL. CLAWSON'S GOLD MINE

Number of Valuable Nuggets Recently
Taken From His Property.
The many friends in Wilmington of
Colonel Thomas W. Clawson, who has
hitherto been christened the "Colonel
Mulberry Sellers of the Star Office,"
will read with interest the following
from the past week's issue of the Fort
Mill, S. C. Times:
"Mr. T. W. Clawson, owner of the
gold mine property in Gold Hill, has
recently taken from the mines a num-
ber of valuable nuggets and it is the
belief of the owner that he has struck
soil which will pan out very profit-
ably. It is understood that Mr. Claw-
son will in a short time organize a
stock company, install new machinery
and carry on operations on a much
larger scale."

Not Guilty of Abandonment.

In Justice Bornemann's court yester-
day, George Pinner, the young elec-
trician charged with abandonment and
non-support of his wife, was found
not guilty and discharged. He was
represented by Herbert McClammy,
Esq., and showed that while he was
away from the city he provided a
boarding place for his wife and that
he had at no time deserted her. The
wife was in court and was very affec-
tionate toward the husband, who was
charged but the day before in the po-
lice court with so cruelly beating her.
R. W. Horrington, Esq., appeared for
the prosecution, but Justice Bornemann
held there was not probable cause and
the defendant was recommitted to jail.

ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS

(Continued from first page.)

the wishes of the people of North Car-
olina, he moved that the Senate con-
cur in the amendments by the House.
Senator Buxton said that one of the
reasons why he wanted the matter
placed in the hands of the Corporation
Commission, in whose integrity he had
the greatest confidence, was that he
believed the Commission would give
the greatest justice between the rail-
roads, the people and the railroad em-
ployees; but knowing that the people
want an end of all this litigation and
conflict and in the interest of harmony
he took pleasure in seconding the mo-
tion of Senator Graham. Senators
Howard and Pharr inquired as to whether
the bill made possible the applica-
tion of the Governor's compromise,
saying that they had come to Raleigh
to vote for this. They were assured
that it would make possible every es-
sential feature. Vote was called and
the Senate concurred 29 to 6. Pres-
ident Winston ordered the bill enrolled
at once for ratification.

A message was received from Gov-
ernor Glenn congratulating the Legis-
lature upon its work.

The following bills passed final read-
ing:
To amend Section 2567 and 2574 of
the Revisal to prevent railroads paral-
lel and competing in this State from
merging, consolidating or disintegrat-
ing.

Prevent traveling salesmen from sol-
iciting orders for intoxicating liquors
in prohibition territory in North Car-
olina. Senate concurring in House
amendment.

Regulate the use of saccharine.
Amend Section 3084 of Revisal relat-
ing to allotment of dower.

The resolution with respect to the
acceptance from the railroads of \$17,
500 in connection with the rate com-
promise came up as the "public con-
science bill." The resolution was
voted down.

The House bill introduced by Sneak-
er Justice and passed by the House
to enable certain State officials to ob-
tain information from the books of
the public service corporations or com-
mon carriers necessary for their regu-
lation, came up and a motion to table
elicited a tie vote, 17 to 17, the pre-
siding officer voting no and saving the
bill from the "table." It was then de-
feated on a roll call vote.

Governor Gets in a "Message."

The Governor sent a message run-
ning over with congratulations and
laudations of the Legislators' work.
It was read in both houses as follows:
"I have nothing further to transmit
to your Honorable Body. Your work
is done, and well done, and you de-
serve and will receive the plaudits of
a grateful people. In settling the rate
question on a basis, just to the State
and equitable to the railroads, you
have restored harmony, protected all
business interests and demonstrated
the fact that the sovereign can compel
obedience from its creatures which
disobey its laws and also extend its
hands in helpfulness when the subject,
acknowledging its allegiance asks for
needed assistance. The State has rat-
ified the agreement made with the
railroads and I feel assured that the
railroads will, in good faith, fully car-
ry out their contract made with me,
thus showing by their acts the verity
of their words when they profess a
desire for kindly relations between all
classes and conditions. You like-
wise acted wisely in appropriating
funds needed for litigations before the
Inter-State Commerce Commission to
prevent freight discrimination against
our State as well as in passing other
laws much needed for the State's up-
building, but in all you did, protecting
small roads against burdens they
could not bear, thus encouraging the
building of new lines into undeveloped
territory."

"Asked by the Anti-Saloon League
and believing myself that since over
80 per cent. of the entire territory of
the State had already endorsed prohibi-
tion, it would be too costly and on-
ly engender strife to have the general
election throughout the State, I, in my
message favored State prohibition by
the Legislature. In your judgment,
however, you thought it best to sub-
mit the question to the vote of the
State and I cheerfully approve your
course and now offer my services as
a volunteer to carry your law before
the people and ask them by their
votes to ratify what you have enacted.
In my judgment State prohibition will
win by an immense majority and will
prove the greatest blessing that has
ever been given our people."

"No legislature, in the history of
the State, in so short a time and in
extra session, ever did so much for
the people as you have done, and
while at first a few may doubt the
wisdom of some laws enacted, yet I
believe that very soon all will see the
good sense and patriotism which have
marked your entire course, and will
heartily approve and ratify your leg-
islation."

"I thank you most sincerely for
your endorsement of my course in
trying to settle this complex rate
question as well as for the considera-
tion shown me in debate, even by
those who did not agree with my
views."

"I wish for each of you a safe and
pleasant journey home, expressing the
hope that you will find your loved
ones well and happy and that you will
receive as you deserve, not only the
approval of your own conscience, but
also the commendation of the people
whom you have so faithfully served.
With good will towards all I bid each
a kind good-bye."

(By Associated Press.)
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 1.—The new
passenger rate law was ratified today
by the extra session of the Legisla-
ture, which has been in session eleven
days and which adjourned this after-
noon. It repeals the 2 1-4 cent flat
rate and increases this to 2 1-2 cents,
requires only first-class fare and ex-
empts from liability or indictment in
civil or criminal suits instituted or
hereafter to be instituted any railroad
company, agent or employee for any
violation of the 2 1-2 cent rate.

The new rate bill is to go into ef-
fect the first of April and it provides
for a flat rate of 2 1-2 cent intra-State
rate.

It is especially set out that the
North Carolina Corporation Commis-

sion is to have nothing to do in any
way with the enforcing of the act or
any penalties, this to avoid any in-
junction of them by the Federal court.
Railroad companies violating any
provisions of the act, or counseling,
ordering, or directing any agent or
employee to do so, shall be guilty of a
misdemeanor with a penalty of from
\$500 to \$5,000, agents, servants or
employees violating to be fined or im-
prisoned, or both in the discretion of
the court.

Persons who, are not entitled, and
who accept free transportation, are to
be fined or imprisoned or both in the
discretion of the court, railroads or
employees giving this to be fined from
\$500 to \$2,000 for each offense.

The Legislature also passed among
the 205 bills and ten resolutions, a
bill giving \$5,000 to the Governor to
prosecute before the Inter-State Com-
merce Commission the charge of dis-
crimination in freight rates against
North Carolina and a bill providing
that there shall be no merger of com-
peting or parallel railroad lines.

LOCAL DOTS.

—There will be a special convoca-
tion of Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A.
M., tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock for
work in the Past Master's degree. A
full attendance of members is desired.

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market house late yesterday afternoon
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being drunk and disorderly. It was the
only arrest made during the day, no
session of the police court having been
held at noon.

—The usual half hour schedule will
be operated on the suburban line this
afternoon. Oysters will be served on
the veranda at Lumina. The Lumina
oyster roasts are becoming the stand-
ard for the city and the weather the
travel to the beach should be very heavy
today.

—The 55th annual meeting of the
Seamen's Friend Society will be held
at the Home Tuesday of this week at
3 P. M. All persons interested in the
welfare of sailors in this port are re-
quested to be present and become ac-
tive members of the Society, which is
self supporting and does not ask any
pecuniary assistance.

—Owing to the continued illness of
Pastor Hale, Rev. Frank C. Brown, D.
D., of Norwalk, Conn., will occupy the
pulpit of the First Baptist Church to-
day at both morning and evening ser-
vices. It is especially desired that ev-
ery member of the church who can
possibly do so, be at the morning ser-
vice.

—By deed filed for record yester-
day Louis H. Skinner and wife trans-
ferred to Mrs. Mabel A. Heide and
Miss Sallie P. Skinner, for \$10 and
other considerations, undivided one-
third interest in property on north
side of Seventh street, 66x214 1-2 feet
side of Seventh street, 62x14 1-2 feet
in size, and lot on Carolina Beach.

—Contributions to Catherine Ken-
nedy Home for January: Mrs. Charles
Hall, books; Y. M. C. A., cake; Mrs.
A. D. Wessell, clothes; Mrs. Draper,
books; Mrs. Joe Kahn, books; Miss
Nellie Durham, bed shoes; Mrs. Wil-
der, potatoes; Thomas & Co., two
pounds cake; Mrs. Cantwell, sausage,
rice; Mr. J. Hicks Bunting, drugs;
Mr. R. R. Bellamy, drugs; Mr. J. A.
Springer, ice; A. Friend, coffee;
Daughters of the Confederacy, oys-
ters, sugar, bread. Monthly meeting
at the Home Tuesday afternoon at
3:30 o'clock.

NO SPECIAL COURT

Legislature Adjourns Without Taking
Action as to New District.

There was some disappointment
here yesterday when it became known
that the Legislature had adjourned
with no provision for a special court
district composed of New Hanover and
Guilford as had been reported favor-
ably by the House Committee. The Sen-
ate Committee, however, had no New
Hanover-Guilford bill before it and in
the rush of the closing days of the As-
sembly, it was found inadvisable to
take the matter up again. After all,
it is generally conceded that politics
entered so manifestly into the appoint-
ment of judges and solicitors that the
whole matter went up salt creek. This
is to be deplored, but when one begins
to circulate in the atmosphere of the
State capital about time for the as-
sembling of the Legislature, he hardly
expects to encounter anything else but
politics.

Guilford was quite anxious for the
district also and Solicitor Brooks re-
commended it, but it was all to no avail.
It was generally understood that Mr.
Bailey, of Mocksville, and Francis D.
Winston, of Bertie, were slated for the
judgeships recommended by the Gov-
ernor, and the pity is that either Ber-
tie or Davis was not included in the
bill, so that one of the two could have
been appointed.

THIS IS GROUND HOG DAY.

He Will Be Out Today Looking for His
Shadow—Winter Evidence.

This is ground hog day, according
to the weather prophets; the day
when the tiny rodent is wont to come
out of his hole in mother earth, take
a look around him and see how things
are going on. If the sun is shining
and he sees his shadow when he
comes out, according to the popular
superstition, he will scurry back into
his winter quarters and remain there
for another sleep of six weeks, indi-
cating that the backbone of Winter is
not yet broken. On the other hand,
if the weather is cloudy and the sha-
dow is nowhere to be seen, the ground
hog remains out and it is pretty safe
to bet your money that there will be
no more bad weather. Everybody
hopes there will be no shadow in sight
when the little indicator makes his
way to the surface today.

Majestic to Put on Vaudeville.

The Majestic Theatre, on North
Front street is closed for a few days
and is being remodeled so that a
vaudeville bill can be given in the
future. A number of changes are be-
ing made and the Majestic promises
to be quite popular with its enlarged
offering.

Go to Gaylord's Monday. One Cent
Wonder Sale. Wonderful Bargain
Sale.

WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE

Store Open
Monday at 9
O'clock, Feb. 3

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THE POPULAR DEPARTMENT STORE

Be Sure and
Bring Your
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ANNUAL WHITE SALE

A MOST EXTRAORDINARY ANNOUNCEMENT

February Muslin Offerings to make housekeepers rejoice. A few of the matchless bargains:

Bleachings, Muslins, Cambrics, Etc.

Fruit of Loom Bleaching one yard wide
at 9 1-2c.
10 yards Bleach Muslin for 59c.
10 yards best Cambric for \$1.15
10 yards Unbleached Honespun for 49c
28 in White Striped Dimity the yard. 4 1-2c
36 in White Madras figured, Striped and
dots white sale 10c
25c White Madras Striped Checked and
figured, White Sale 19c
35c White Mercerized Madras, White
Sale 25c
30 in. White Lawn Bookfold 10c value. 7 1-2
30 in. White Lawn Bookfold 35c value
also Persian Lawn beautiful sheer. 11 1-2
40 in. Persian Lawn long fold regular
15c quality, White Sale 10c
40 in. Persian Lawn longfold regular 19c
quality, White Sale 14c
35 in. Linen Finish Capitol Cloth 19c val-
ues, White Sale 11c
45 in. White French Lawn, regular 25c
quality, White Sale 18 1-2
45 in. White French Lawn 40c quality,
White Sale 33 1-2
72 in. White Organdies, White Sale 49c

Linen

36 in. White Sheer Linen and Linen
Cambric, Shirt Waist Linen 50c qual-
ity 39c
36 in. Union Linen Suiting 35c value,
White Sale 25c
90 in. Linen Sheeting, White Sale \$1.00 yd

Table Linen and Towels

25c Red Table Cloth, White Sale 19c
35c Red Table Cloth, White Sale 25c
35c White Table Cloth, White Sale 25c
50c White Table Cloth, White Sale 39c
65c White Mercerized Table Cloth,
White Sale 49c
\$1.25 White Table Linen, White Sale 98c
\$1.50 White Table Linen, White Sale \$1.19
15x35 in. Cotton Towels, White Sale
..... 49c the dozen.
17x36 in. Cotton Huck Towels, White
Sale 85c the dozen
19x40 in. Cotton Huck Towels, White
Sale 10c each
25c Linen Towels, Colored Border and
Fringe 19c each
Turkish Towels at Reduced Prices.

Sheets

Good White Sheet, 72x90 49c
85c Extra Fine White Sheets, White
Sale 69c
\$1.25 Extra Fine White Sheets, White
Sale 98c

Children's Headwear

Baby Caps 10c each
Baby Cape 25c value, White Sale 19c
Baby Caps 50c value, White Sale 39c
Baby Caps 65c value, White Sale 49c
Baby Caps \$1.50 values, White Sale 98c

WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE—WHITE SALE

FIRE AT LUMBERTON.

Small Blaze at Passenger Depot—Dr.
Norment's Birthday.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Lumberton, N. C., Feb. 1.—Shortly
after 1 o'clock today fire was discov-
ered in the waiting room for white
people in the new passenger depot at
this place. The fire originated under
the floor, thought to have been caused
by brick in the hearth getting too hot.
The discovery was made by Ticket
Agent Petty on his return from dinner.
He quickly gave the alarm. The work
train was on the yard and in a short
time a bucket brigade had the fire
under control. The damage is esti-
mated at \$250 or \$300.
Postmaster R. M. Norment celebrat-
ed his 80th birthday today by enter-
taining several friends at dinner. The
doctor has good prospects for many
more birthdays.

Fire at Morehead City.

A fire, supposed to be of incendiary
origin, broke out in T. G. Carrawan's
store, at Morehead City, at 10:30
Thursday night, and destroyed fifteen
stores, residences and shops. Among
the places destroyed are the postof-
ice and postmaster's house, Western
Union office, Southern Express office,
Dr. Headen's office and residence, Mr.
Webb's house, residence of J. M. Ar-
thur, residence of Alvin Willis, 4 or 5
houses on the water front. Assistance
was telegraphed for to Newbern, but
just as the engine and hose cart had
made ready to go word was received
that the fire was under control. The
damage is placed at \$30,000 with small
insurance.

Lumina Today.
Oyster roasts at Lumina today. Cars
every half hour in afternoon.

THE C. W. POLVOGT COMPANY
"The Store That's Always Busy"

The Ladies' Suit Department

To close out the remaining stock of
Ladies' Suits, we offer all our Suits
AT COST! -- AT COST!

30 Eton Suits will be sold at half price
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Ladies' Panama and Voille Skirts at
reduced prices.

Entire stock of Furs at cost.

We are the only dry goods store using Red
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Get Wise---Read Star Business Locals

FIVE PERSONS ARE DEAD EIGHT DAYS OVERDUE MINISTER UNDER ARREST

Big Fire in Kansas City Tenement House Results Most Disastrously, Many Were Injured—One of Deaths Distressing.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Kansas City, Feb. 1.—Five persons were burned to death and five others were injured in a fire in a three-story rooming house at 1116 Wyandotte street, near the business section this morning.

The dead are: Mrs. Jennie Bert, aged 29, Harrisville, Mo.; waitress Mabel E. Porter, aged 18, waitress; Nine Graves, aged 18, waitress; Peter Roemer, aged 34, cook; Charles Johnson, aged 28, cook.

The injured received slight bruises and cuts and none is believed to be in a dangerous condition. All the dead, except Mrs. Bert, lived in Kansas City.

The fire started from an explosion of natural gas in the basement. The flames and dense smoke spread quickly throughout the building and before an alarm could be given all means of escape by the ordinary exits had been shut off. Four of the five persons who lost their lives were asleep on the third floor and all were burned to death in their rooms. Before the firemen arrived the building was a mass of flames and the rooms of the upper floors could not be entered.

Mabel Porter and Nina Graves, two of the dead, occupied a room together. The injured slept on the lower floors and in the basement. Most of these escaped without aid fighting their way through the flames and smoke. The firemen were able to rescue others from the burning building.

Mrs. Bert lost her life in trying to arouse the inmates. The dense smoke pouring up the stairway soon filled the hallways and entered the rooms. Mrs. Bert's room on the third floor, was close to the landing and she was aroused and hurried down the hallway on that floor and attempted to wake the sleeping roomers. The smoke soon drove her to the second floor where she tried to give an alarm. The smoke and flame compelled her to descend and she sought escape by the stairway. At the top of the second floor landing she stumbled and falling headlong down the stairway landed in the thickest of the flames. At the bottom her charred body was later found by the firemen. The bodies of the four other victims were found in their beds.

The building was an old one and was not equipped with fire escapes.

BRYAN IN DELAWARE.

Says He is Happy to be Able to Furnish Roosevelt Ideas.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Dover, Del., Feb. 1.—William Jennings Bryan arrived here today from Wilmington and this afternoon addressed a mass meeting in the Dover opera house. Mr. Bryan followed the ideas he advanced in his Wilmington speech and said that if he could live for nothing else than to furnish principles for President Roosevelt and the American nation he would be exceedingly happy.

TEN CADETS WERE EXPELLED.

They Had Been Found Guilty of Hazing at V. P. I.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Roanoke, Va., Feb. 1.—A Times special from Blacksburg, Va., says ten cadets were expelled from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute today for hazing. The faculty after a careful consideration of the case of each man before them decided upon this course and informed the students that their decision was positive and final.

President Barringer said that he was determined to abolish all forms of hazing at the V. P. I., and that it would not be tolerated. In this he has the co-operation of the commandant and members of the faculty. The cadets dismissed today left tonight for their homes.

SENATE COMMITTEE THROUGH.

Urgent Deficiency Bill Will Be Reported on Monday.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Washington, Feb. 1.—The subcommittee of the Senate Committee on appropriations finished consideration of the urgent deficiency bill today. It will be considered by the full committee and reported to the Senate on Monday.

The subcommittee gave brief consideration to Senator Lodge's amendment providing for the purchase of ships for carrying supplies to the Panama canal zone, but declined to accept it. There was opposition to the proposition in any connection but it was considered especially out of order on a deficiency bill.

WASHING WITHOUT WATER

Is Like Trying to Get Rid of Dandruff Without Herpicide.

Did you ever see any one trying to wash themselves without soap or water?

If you did, what would you say of him?

It is every bit as foolish to try to get rid of dandruff and to prevent baldness by feeding the germs which cause it, with Cantharides, Yaseline, Glycerine and similar substances which form the principal ingredients of most so-called Hair Vigors.

Newbro's Herpicide is successful because it attacks and kills the parasitic germ which feeds on the hair roots. It is the original and only genuine scalp germicide manufactured.

Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

Two sizes—50 cents and \$1.00.

HARDIN'S PHARMACY, Special Agent.

Steamer Bluefield From Jacksonville to Philadelphia Carried a Crew of 18 Men and Anxiety is Felt for Her Safety.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—More than eight days overdue, the steamship Bluefields, from Jacksonville for this city, has not yet arrived and fears are entertained for the safety of the vessel.

The Bluefields sailed from Jacksonville on January 21 under command of Captain Higgins and should have reached Philadelphia three days later. The vessel carried a crew of eighteen men.

Captain Higgins' home is in Collinswood, N. J., while the other officers and two of the crew are residents of Baltimore. Four seamen, five firemen, and two others are Americans. The Baltimoreans are Charles A. Marine, chief officer, John D. Moon, second mate, John S. Well, chief engineer, Harry Payne, steward and Churchill Taylor, cook.

Since Monday last at the request of the Philadelphia maritime exchange the revenue cutters Seminole and the Onondaga have been keeping a sharp lookout along the coast for the overdue vessel.

The Bluefields is owned by the New York and Baltimore transportation Company and for more than a year has been running under a charter between this port and Jacksonville for the Southern Steamship Company. The Bluefields was built in 1865, in Scotland and was originally known as the William Coulman.

The vessel is 208 feet long and has a gross tonnage of 736 tons.

Y. M. C. A. This Afternoon.

In connection with the series of evangelical services which begins at Bladen Street M. E. Church this afternoon at the same hour, a Bible study exercise of the life of John will be given this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. The chairman of the Religious Works Committee will be in charge and all men are invited. A tenor solo will be rendered by Mr. Joseph Fenley.

Retires From Southern Electric.

Mr. J. O. Brock has retired from the Southern Electric Company and will in the future do a general electrical engineering and contracting business on his own account. He is a practical man, well acquainted with the trade and will do well in his line. In a few days he will open an office at some convenient point in the city.

WIT IN CONGRESS.

Some Famous Retorts Made During the Heat of Debate.

One of the most famous of Reed's retorts was made at the expense of Springer of Illinois. The "Maine giant" had just read one of Springer's own speeches in refutation of the latter's argument just concluded. The Illinoisan launched into philosophy upon the privilege of progressive thinkers to change their opinions.

"I honor them for it," he continued. "An honest man is the noblest work of God. As for me, Mr. Chairman, in the words of an eminent American statesman, 'I would rather be right than be president.'"

"The gentleman from Illinois needn't worry, Mr. Chairman," drawled Reed. "He'll never be either!"

During the bitter fight against "Reed rules" the house was thrown into convulsions by General Spaulding, who, pointing to the painting of the "Siege of Yorktown" hanging in the hall, gravely accused Speaker Reed of counting the Hessians in the background of the picture in order to make up a quorum.

The general always wore a tremendously high collar, so high, in fact, that Representative Tim Campbell tapped it one day with the ferule of his cane and inquired, to the amusement of the house, "Is General Spaulding within?"

During the famous deadlock fight in the house over the civil rights bill General Ben Butler favored a Sunday session.

"Bad as I am, I have some respect for God's day," replied Sam Randall of Pennsylvania.

"Don't the Bible say that it is lawful to pull your ox or ass out of a pit on the Sabbath?" asked Butler. "You have thirty-seven asses on your side of the house, and I want to get them out of this ditch tomorrow. I think I am engaged in holy work."

"Don't do it," replied Randall. "I expect some day to see you in a better world."

"You'll be there, as you are here, a member of the lower house," flashed back the general, with telling effect.—American Magazine.

Where the Rub Comes.

"Well," said the good natured boarder, "there's one thing about our boarding house—you can eat all you like there."

"Of course, same as ours," replied the grouchy one. "You can eat all you like, but there's never anything you could possibly like."—Philadelphia Press.

36 inch White Linen Finish goods, 18c kind Monday, 15c at Gaylord's.

Attractive prices tomorrow at Polvogt's White Sale.

Go to Gaylord's this week for bargains in White Goods.

Tomorrow begins Polvogt's White Goods Sale.

Rev. William G. Whitaker is Held at Springfield, O., on Charge of Using United States Mails to Defraud the Public.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
Springfield, O., Feb. 1.—Rev. William G. Whitaker, giving his home as Exeter, Kan., is in jail here charged with using the United States mails to defraud. He was arraigned before United States Commissioner William M. Rockle, and was committed in default of \$5,000 bail. The affidavit on which Whitaker was arrested was sworn out by the postmaster of Asheville, N. C., and avers that Whitaker claimed to represent an estate in England which he said was worth from \$200,000,000 to \$600,000,000 belonging to the heirs of John Whitaker and Jane Scott Parker. He communicated with a number of people in this country and claimed that for the small fee of \$10 he would look after their interests. Whitaker was arrested in Dayton Friday evening and brought here today.

AN ORANGE GROVE.

Modern Methods in Cultivating the Gold of the Orchard.

You are certainly entitled to look through that wire fence and see all that constitutes an orange orchard. There are 200 round headed trees, about twelve feet in diameter. The fruit looks immensely as if it had been artificially put in place. Really those would pass for 200 Christmas trees. Does nature do this sort of work anywhere else? You forget the cherry trees in your northern orchard. You have become so familiar with the scarlet globules that hang all over those trees, with orioles and robins shouting approval, and tangers with indigo birds sitting in the apple tree overhead, that you cannot fully see and appreciate the charm. But you certainly have not forgotten the glory of a McIntosh red apple tree in October or indeed a whole orchard of ripe Northern Spies, Spitzenburgs and Kings. Yet the orange has a glory all its own. It is the gold of the orchard. You thought the trees grew in groves, "but here they are in long, regular rows." That was a word borrowed from the wild oranges that in Spanish days came up where they might and were seldom transplanted. They grew as those wild persimmons grow at the edge of the orchard or as pines and maples grow. But your modern orange trees are grown in long rows to be cultivated with plows and horses.

The real orange tree should stand about twenty-five or thirty feet high, with a trunk of five or six inches. Its foliage is dense and a rich green. It is a grand tree to sit beneath at midday and drink the juices of the fruit instead of water—it is distilled perfectly. But these trees are round and low headed, and one must stoop to get beneath them. They are made of the grafted shoots that came up around the old trees after the freeze. They are more convenient to spray, to protect from the blizzard, while the fruit is more easily gathered. You can walk all about that orchard and reach half the fruit without a ladder. It is a good illustration of how good sometimes comes out of evil.

"Different shapes!" To be sure. There are quite as many varieties of oranges in this orchard as there are of apples or plums in most of our northern orchards—fifteen or twenty, at least. The grower knows them all by name and can tell them all by the shape and the quality. He does not go at random and pick any fine big orange for his own eating, but he takes his selection—the King, or the Homosassa, or the Jaffa, or the Ruby, or Parson Brown, or Satsuma, or possibly the tangerine. He fills his pocket with selected varieties and then goes to that pine grove over there and peels them as he lunches. It is very much as we do with our pippins, and Swaars, and Princess Louise, and Jiffiflowers.—Independent.

Luminous Plants.

In his book entitled "Luminous Plants" Professor Mollath explains the light which is often seen radiating from stumps of old trees. It is due to microscopic animals, fungoids, which on a diminutive scale have the exact form of mushrooms. These parasites live only so long as sap and strength remain in the wood. Similarly the "phosphorous" light on the surface of the sea comes from the animals which live on the seaweed.

A Railway Bull.
The recent intimation of an Irish railway that there would be "no last train to Cork" has apparently induced the Great Eastern Railway company to issue a placard stating that trains to Walthamstow will run "all through the night on week days."—St. James' Gazette.

Before and After.
"I think that every young woman should learn to play the piano before she is married."
"That's right. And forget it afterward."—Cleveland Leader.

The secret of all true greatness is simplicity.—Jordan.

Sheets and Pillow case bargains at Polvogt's.

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THE ELEPHANT.

He is Good Natured, Docile, Obedient and Long Suffering.

"The elephant is the best natured beast in all wild creation," said a circus man. "Most people have an idea that the big beast is apt to go wrong any time and make all kinds of trouble for everybody. Now, as a matter of fact, I have never but once seen a freak of this kind. Then the result was directly due to the intolerable abuse of flat headed grooms. It seems to me that if some one was putting a steel point or hook into a soft joint of yours or mine many times a day and without any good reason for it we would show temper and tear up things too. The only difference is the elephant has more patience. He is docile, obedient and long suffering. When an elephant gets a little out of sorts there is always some lightweight attendant, it seems, to fly off and say he is 'daffy.' Ninety-nine times out of a hundred the poor elephant has been badly treated, and, as he cannot talk, he does about the only thing he can do and trumpets his disgust or possibly goes a step further and eases his feelings by taking a crack with his trunk at something within reach. Elephants are as kind hearted and tender as women and respond to little attentions the same way, and in the same way, just like a woman, when they get soured, it takes a long while to sweeten them again if it can be done at all."—Chicago Chronicle.

At Anchor.

A chief of bureau in the navy department tells a good story of the time when one of the secretaries of the navy got the notion into his head that officers should not permit their wives to reside at the foreign stations to which their husbands might be attached. So an order to that effect was promulgated. Soon thereafter considerable perplexity and no little amusement was afforded the secretary when he received the following cablegram from Commodore Pyffe, then in command of the Asiatic squadron:

Secretary Navy, Washington:
It becomes my painful duty to report that my wife, Eliza Pyffe, has, in disobedience to my orders and in the face of regulations of department, taken up her residence on the station and persistently refuses to leave.

Samples of the latest Spring and Summer goods will be displayed by Strouse & Brothers' expert cutter at J. M. Solky's February, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th.

Beautiful Persian Lawn, 40-in. wide, White Sale 10c, at Rehder's.

Attractive prices tomorrow at Polvogt's White Sale.

Tomorrow attend Polvogt's White Sale.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS

The Star will send without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messenger to your Place of Business or Residence for Advertisements for our Business Locals Department. Phone the Star office, No. 51.

Rates—25 cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word in advance.

The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co., or for Notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charges for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes. For this service call Western Union, Phone 2. But for Advertisements always call the Star office, Phone 51.

FOR RENT—Two large best rooms, well furnished and lighted; hot and cold water. No. 1 Postoffice avenue. fe 2-1*

STICKHOLDERS' MEETING—Meeting of the stockholders of the Co-operative Building and Loan Association will be held at the office of the Secretary, Thos. H. Wright, 124 Princess street, Tuesday, February 4th, at 12 o'clock. fe 2-1*

FOR SALE—Large Haviland China dish; pair blue and gold Dresden China candlesticks; cut glass pitcher; pair Colonial silver candlesticks; Dresden China vase, silver centerpiece. Address E., care Star. fe 2-1*

FOR RENT—Five room cottage, No. 503 South Front street, next to corner Front and Church, bath, hot and cold water and electric lights; also two furnished rooms. Apply to J. E. Hall, 501 South Front street. fe 2-1*

FOR RENT—Furnished room for one or two gentlemen or couple without children, privilege of bath, hot and cold water and telephone. 905 North Fourth street. fe 2-1*

LOST—On Front street, between Market and Castle, small gold lady's watch, Elgin movement. Has initials E. I. S. engraved on front. Reward, if returned to 215 Castle street. fe 2-1*

SALESMAN Wanted to sell to Grocers, Druggists and Confectioners; \$100 per month and expenses. California Cider & Extract Company, St. Louis, Mo. fe 2-1*

MEN—Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach barber trade in few weeks, mailed free. Moler Barber College, Atlanta, Ga. fe 2-3*

FOR RENT—One nicely furnished room with or without board. Bath, hot and cold, electric lights. Can accommodate a few table boarders, 213 North Second street. fe 2-1*

NOTICE—For electric house wiring, electric door bells and intercommunicating telephones, I am prepared to furnish and install on short notice at a very small cost. Call phone 1105. J. O. Brock, Electrical Engineer and Contractor. fe 2-1*

WANTED—To borrow four thousand dollars (\$4,000) on improved real estate for three years, interest six per cent. Address P. G., this office. fe 2-1*

A PARTY with some capital wants to purchase a business of some sort or will buy an interest. If you want to sell, or want a partner, address X. Y. Z., care Star. fe 2-1*

WANTED—Planing mill foremen, must handle kilns, planers and shipping, state wages expected. The Co-harie Lumber Company, Parkersburg, N. C. fe 1-2*

SEVENTH SERIES of Rural Building and Loan Association will open today. For any information consult any of the Directors. President Oscar Pearsall, M. S. Willard, O. H. Wright, C. C. Chadbourn, A. G. Warren, A. O. McEachern, B. O. Stone, M. Shrier, R. W. Price, Roger Moore, D. H. Penton, M. Jacob, J. A. McGeachy, L. M. LeGwin, or Secretary and Treasurer, J. O. Reilly, 110 Princess street. fe 1-2*

WANTED—Salesmen of ability and neat appearance to call on all merchants in their territory; elegant side line, convenient to carry; good commissions; prompt remittance. Belmont Mfg. Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. ja 19 26 fe 2 9 15 61

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—Mt. Airy Leader: Chief of Police Johnson left for Winston-Salem Monday and on Tuesday brought Dixie James back to this city, charged with breaking out of the calaboose here Christmas.

—High Point Daily Enterprise: Claude Hussey, who served as policeman at Jamestown last year, has gone to Panama to do police duty at \$80.00 per month. The government will employ 500 policemen this year at Panama.

—Kinston Daily Free Press: Messrs. D. Wood, George Suggs and Hugh Jordan returned this morning from a two days' fishing expedition to Bayboro, with as chummy and nice a catch of chubs, as has been brought to the city this season. In the two days these fishermen caught over 200 pounds of fine chub. They were highly gratified with their catch.

—Asheville, Jan. 31.—Asheville is in the grip of the storm-knight tonight. Snow began falling early this afternoon and tonight the blizzard prevails. The electric company is having trouble maintaining schedules tonight owing to the banking of snow on the rails while the fall of sleet further adds to the inconvenience of travel. All the mountains around Asheville are white—a heavy snow.

—Mt. Airy, Feb. 1.—The 1907 tobacco crop brought the farmers more money than the crops of 1904-05. It costs as much to raise a low-priced crop as it does to raise a high-priced crop. Less tobacco and better tobacco is the argument used to forward the interests of tobacco growers sometimes, but the best thing, according to our way of seeing it, is high prices.

Wilson, Feb. 1.—Mr. P. L. Woodard, a representative cotton merchant of our city, is very enthusiastic over the price for cotton on our market this season, and the stand that Wilson has taken as a cotton market. The prices paid here are on a parity with those in the great export towns of the State, and on many occasions are ahead of the large inland markets of the South. This fact is appreciated by the farmers, for Wilson is drawing cotton from many miles around.

—Wilson, Jan. 31.—Mr. W. C. Crooms, who was murderously assaulted in his yard a few nights since, is still unconscious. The assault was made at the home of Mr. Crooms between the town of Black Creek and Fremont, near Aycock's church. His wife found her husband lying prone on the ground with a deep cut in his head. A negro answering to the description of the one who attempted an assault on a young lady in Kenly was held here as a suspect.

—Windsor Ledger: There are 14 prisoners or working hands at the County Farm, and five inmates—one woman and four men. About 118 acres of land are cultivated. There are two guards—Messrs. Lewis Pritchard, who guards the hands working the road; and Isaac Coffield, who guards the farm hands. Mr. Jesse F. Phelps, the manager, is a young man, active and alert to the county interest. He has recently cured 3,200 pounds of meat, and sold last week \$832.32 worth of peanuts.

—Greensboro, Feb. 1.—Mr. S. A. Stoltz and little son, of Rural Hall, was here last night on his way to Baltimore, where the child will be taken for treatment for hydrophobia. The little fellow was bitten on the hand a short time ago by a dog, which later developed symptoms of rabies. The dog later died and his body was sent to Baltimore, where a specialist examined it reporting the dog to have died of rabies. Mr. Stoltz was then advised by his physician to take the boy off for treatment. The boy has shown no sign whatever of being infected.

—Winston-Salem, Jan. 31.—A few minutes before the train for Mooresville pulled out last evening, three negroes from Advance, laden with three five-gallon jugs of "booze," went to the station with the intention of putting the "ardent" on the train to be carried to Advance. About that time Special Agent White appeared upon the scene and told the negroes they could not put the jugs on that train. One of the negroes, who looked like he might weigh 200, wanted to know of Mr. White what he had to do with it. On being told that he was an officer for the Southern, Sambo told the other negroes to carry the "stuff" back to the saloon, saying he would go up and consult an attorney. The negroes appeared to be much wrought up over the affair, as they were looking forward to "a grand old time" in Advance last night.

—Durham, Jan. 31.—Mrs. Nannie Newton, nee Miss Nannie Ellis, now Mrs. Noah A. Smith, has the distinction of having been the wife of one man, his divorced wife and then the wife of another man, all in the same day. During the recent term of court, which came to an end on account of the indisposition of Judge Webb, there was a divorce suit on the docket—Mrs. Nannie Newton against her husband. The hearing of the case came up in the morning, the divorce was granted as the husband is now serving a term in the penitentiary, and that evening she was united in marriage to Mr. Noah A. Smith. Prior to her first marriage the bride was Miss Nannie Ellis, daughter of Mr. Benjamin Ellis, who lives in the northern part of this county. Her husband got into trouble and the divorce suit followed. The very night on which the divorce decree was signed, that day the late Mrs. Newton became the bride of Noah A. Smith. They now reside in the eastern part of this city.

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Would She Bother Him?

(Original.)

Martin Perkins, aged forty-one, and Eliza Guiless, aged thirty-seven, sat before an open wood fire, he holding his hands, she knitting. For twelve years once a week they had spent Saturday evening together. The custom originated in their having been members of the church choir, Perkins finding it expedient to call on Saturday evenings to talk over the music for the next day. Since then they had both dropped out of the choir, but the calls had continued. For the first seven years of this period Perkins had lived with his mother, and half the people said it would be a shame for him to marry, the other half maintaining that he was treating Miss Guiless abominably. During the remaining five years Perkins was endeavoring to make up his mind that it would be safe for a man of his confirmed habits to enter upon matrimony. During these latter years he had sat in the same chair, engaged in the same occupation—holding his hands, with an occasional twirling of his thumbs—while Miss Guiless knitted. But at last he had come to the determination to ask her to be his wife.

"Miss Liza," he began, "marriage is a fearful thing when it doesn't turn out well."

"I think very likely it must be."

"They say marriages late in life seldom turn out well."

"Do they?"

"Yes, they say when a man has passed forty he's set in his ways and a woman always around, interfering with him, is very hard to bear."

He took out his handkerchief and wiped his temples as though the little picture he had drawn indicated hot weather. Miss Guiless seemed more than usually absorbed in her knitting and made no reply for some time. Then she said softly:

"If a man gets a sensible woman maybe she wouldn't interfere with him much."

"I've often thought of that. I don't believe you, for instance, would make it very hard for a man."

"It's very nice of you to say so," replied Miss Guiless, bending lower over her work.

"Then, you're mighty steady. Some women are flighty. You can never pin 'em down to anything. If you was to tell me that you'd do a thing I wouldn't have to argue it with you all over again. I could rely on your doing it same as if it was done."

"I hope I would," replied Miss Guiless meekly.

"Now, I tell you, Miss Liza, there ain't no other woman that lives that I'd take the risk on, but I've known you—let me see, it'll be twelve years comin' the 1st of May, and I ain't a bit afraid to say that the man you marry will get a jewel. I've been thinkin' ever since mother died it's kind o' lonesome up at the house and how different it would be if you was there fittin' about like a yellow bird among the branches. Will you do it, Miss Liza?"

"Do what?" in a scarcely audible tone.

"Marry me."

She bent lower and lower without reply. He went to her, folded her in his arms, and she whispered "Yes."

Miss Guiless expected that her accepted lover would break the rule of the past twelve years and get in a call early in the week. Wednesday came, and he had not called, Thursday and Friday passed, with no sign of him. Then she realized how confirmed he was in his habits. Saturday evening came, and as the clock struck 8 she heard the usual tap at the door. With a happy smile, she ran to open it. When she saw her lover she drew back. A more lugubrious face could not be imagined. He looked as if for him the bottom had fallen out of the universe.

"Why, Mr. Perkins, what's the matter?"

He came in, hung his hat and coat in the usual place and sat down in the usual chair. Miss Guiless waited to hear of some great calamity.

"After I left you last Saturday night, Miss Guiless," he said at last, "I could hardly sleep for joy. When I woke in the mornin' it occurred to me to look over my affairs to see if my income was enough for two. When I got through it occurred to me that our marriage had better be put off two or three years."

"It can be if necessary," said Miss Guiless, with evident disappointment.

"Then I got to thinkin' how unjust it was to a woman to tie her down that way, and I thought—well, mebbe I'd better release you from your engagement."

Miss Guiless' fingers had been flying with her knitting, the only evidence of her impatience to hear what was to come. As he proceeded the needles worked less rapidly, and when he had finished they had slowed down almost to a stopping point. While speaking Mr. Perkins had not dared to look at her; but, hearing no reply, he cast a woeful glance at her bent figure. At the moment a tear glistened in the firelight and fell on her work. No drop falling upon substance in a chemical solution could sooner set free that substance than the tear dissolved the cloud obscuring the man's better nature. He arose and, going to her, took her in his arms.

"Don't worry, Miss Liza," he said, with a world of affection in his voice. "As I told you, you're one of the reliable sort to be depended on and not to go back on anything you say or undertake, and I shan't have any fear but you'll put up with what there is. You won't bother me a bit."

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Cash on Hand and in

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Total.....\$731,799 90

Liabilities:

Capital Stock.....\$ 30,000 00

Undivided profits, less ex-

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to check.....\$511,257 46

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Author of "For the Freedom of the Sea," "The Southerners," Etc.,
AND
EDWARD PEPLE,
Author of "A Broken Rosary," "The Prince Chap," Etc.

(Continued From Last Sunday.)

CHAPTER V.

TO dive is one thing, to swim about in another, and to get safely out is still a third. Having taken the plunge, Richard Williams was now at leisure to contemplate the deeps in which he found himself. Here he was in a strange house under a borrowed name and title, with little knowledge or experience to enable him to carry off the imposture successfully. True, from his associations with the earl in Texas he could recall some of the Englishman's oddities of speech and manner, to which his own soft southern accent readily accommodated itself, but this was a flimsy scaffolding by which to build a successful fraud. Though well educated, Richard's environment had afforded him small opportunity to become familiar with the manners of polite society, and his knowledge of England and English customs, like that of many better informed Americans, was meager. On the other hand, he had plenty of common sense, much of his father's native shrewdness, a fund of ready wit, a cool courage in an emergency and in general nerve enough to brazen out the affair until such a time as he might see fit to make a clean breast of it and trust the rest to luck.

Having made his preparations for luncheon, he was pacing up and down the rooms which had been assigned to him, thoughtfully turning the matter over in his mind, when a servant announced the arrival of Croyland's man Bills.

"Ah!" said Richard, very eager to encounter what might prove to be the first check and get it over with. "Show him up, please."

The servant departed, and to the adventurer came another inspiration. Here was an opportunity which, if handled delicately, might lead to brilliant results. The valet entered—a slight man of medium height, with a clean shaven face, a puttylike complexion and a pale, unemotional eye.

"M' lord!"

The man stopped suddenly, passed his hand over his mouth and stood staring at Richard, while a look of recognition slowly illumined his brain.

"Why, Mr. Williams, sir?" he burst out presently. "I thought!"

"Ah," smiled Richard, in his most innocent and beguiling manner, "so you haven't forgotten your little trip to Texas?"

"No—no, sir. An' those awful cow gentlemen, sir!" faltered Bills, with a shudder of remembrance of some practical jokes of which he had been the victim at the hands of some of the cow punchers before he left for New York and civilization.

"Good! Now, attend me carefully. Do you know anything of the reason why your master is in New York?"

"A little, sir, but not much—some business for the Japs, for a foreign government, sir."

Richard took a thoughtful turn up and down the room, then faced the man again.

"You look rather an intelligent man, Bills, and can appreciate what I am going to say to you. Your master finds it necessary to lie low for a week or two. Understand?"

"Very good, sir."

"In the first place, Lord Croyland authorized me to discharge you immediately upon your arrival."

The servant looked up quickly, a gleam of suspicion in his fishy eye.

"Askin' your pardon, sir," he said deferentially, "but 'ow am I to know, sir, that you—that?"

"That I am acting on the level?" finished Richard. "I admire your caution. To begin with, you'll have to take my word. If this, however, has no weight, I am to freshen your memory with a little matter of four pound six and a jeweled cigar cutter. Follow me?"

The valet licked his lips and said nothing. Richard went on:

"If you still have doubts on the subject, Lord Croyland is in possession of an inquiry from a friend of yours in Scotland Yard—an inquisitive duck of the name of Drake. I dare say he's asking after your health. Well?"

"Wen would you have me leave, sir?" asked Bills most deferentially again, without a change of countenance.

Richard regarded the man critically. "That's just the point, Friend Woolsey. I think I can arrange to give you a position—that is, for a time at least. How much does your master pay you?"

"Twelve pounds a month, sir, an' my keep."

"Very well," nodded Richard, "I can do the same for you, with the promise of a fat bonus for good behavior. Now, listen. I'm going to trust you and speak candidly. Lord Croyland's got to lie low—Jap—er—you know."

"Ow long?"

"For a week or perhaps longer. I am to be Earl of Croyland. You are to attend me as my man, address me as Lord Croyland and render me such assistance as I require. Is that satisfactory?"

The valet's lips twitched, but he answered, in a level tone:

"Beg pardon, Mr. Williams, but it can't be done."

"Why not?" demanded Richard.

"Cawn't reconcile it with my con-

science, sir.

"How much is this delicate organ of yours worth, Bills?"

"Twenty-five pounds a month, sir, an'—the bonus as you were good enough to mention, sir."

The valet had the whip hand of him, and no one knew it better than the arch conspirator; therefore he hastened to clinch the bargain before the terms thereof should rise.

"All right," he agreed, "I'll do it on conditions. I engage you for one month, that's \$125, and a like sum, if you serve me faithfully, at the end of it."

"An'—the other Lord Croyland, sir?"

"I'll square you with him all right. You know who I am"—he paused and fixed his keen gray eye upon the man, adding, as his square chin grew more dominant—"but no monkey shins! I have a sort of bonus for that too. Just please remember that I can hit a half dollar at seventy-five yards—size 44—and I won't be trifled with. I, too, have a sensitive conscience, Bills, but it has its limitations. Now, then, what do you say?"

"Very good, m' lord," said Bills, with another deferential bow.

Richard chuckled and rubbed his hands. Matters were beginning to assume a more cheerful aspect. He paced up and down for a moment or two longer, then turned to the waiting servant.

"Now, Cardinal Woolsey, we'll get right down to business. I want you to go to the city this morning and bring me a condensed history of England and a map of your jolly little island. Then I'll need some rather strenuous coaching. Did you bring the—er—I mean—my trunks?"

"Your lordship's boxes, m' lord?"

"Oh, yes, boxes, of course. Thank you. Did you bring them?"

"They are in the 'all below, m' lord. I'll 'ave 'em up immediately, sir."

Bills turned to go, but Richard checked him.

"Wait. I haven't finished yet. On your way to town and back I want you to take a memorandum of the names of Lord—of my friends in London and here in America. I want to know about my family, where I have been and whom I have met. You understand? General information. Now get those boxes and let's have a look at my togs."

"I understand, sir."

"It's lucky," soliloquized Richard after the departure of the valet, "that Bills is such an infernal rascal or I'd have trouble with him. Yet I suppose we might be called 'birds of a feather' in this way. He frowned. "Oh, well, it's the only way to win her, and if I can make her love me she'll forgive me anything."

The luggage was presently brought up and inspected critically, Richard finding with joy that the earl's clothes fitted him to perfection, and while Bills was placing them in the various drawers and closets the new Lord Croyland sought for pointers thirstily.

"By the way," he exclaimed suddenly, "there is something important which I almost forgot. I've got to run the gantlet of that table at luncheon in about half an hour, and I want you to brush me up in the matter of cutlery. Do you understand the game?"

"Yes, sir; movin' in the best circles as a gentleman's gentleman, I know all about it, sir."

"You might throw in a few lords, you know, Bills, just to keep in practice, so you won't forget."

"Yes, m' lord."

"Well, as I was saying," went on Richard, "I went to a swell dinner at Houston once and haven't stopped blushing about it yet. I squandered seven different kinds of forks before the dessert came and found myself with a choice between a butter knife and an oyster stick to eat ice cream with. It was depressing."

Bills curbed his smile and supplied the needed information, then made himself ready to take the 12 o'clock train to New York.

"Is there anything else, m' lord?" he asked.

"Yes," said Richard, who was perspiring before a mirror; "I'd be uncommonly grateful if you'd show me how to keep this blasted single barreled eyeglass in without bursting a blood vessel."

CHAPTER VI.

AT luncheon Richard was presented to Mrs. Renwyck, nee Corrigan, a kindly disposed middle aged woman of ample proportions, whose money had enabled her to marry above her and who had since been desperately endeavoring to live up to the obligations of her position.

To her a lord was a lord, indeed, and at first she was rather inclined to stand in awe of the Earl of Croyland's title, but before luncheon was over she had lost her nervousness and was beginning to feel toward him as though he were a real American. Miss Harriet Renwyck was charming, sitting opposite Richard, who, having crossed his first bridge with flying colors, grew more confident, though careful not to overact his role. Thanks to the instruction of the exemplary Bills, he was steering a safe course among the forks too. The Texan discussed Amer-

ica with his host, who admitted candidly that Richard's views were broader than those of any Englishman he had ever known. Concerning the present policy of Great Britain Mr. Renwyck found his guest strangely reticent. The conversation then turned upon various topics, social and personal, ending in horseflesh, which with Mr. Renwyck was a passion.

"Lord Croyland," he said, "I'm really worried as to what to do with a horse of mine called Hawk. He is demoralizing my whole stable."

"And what is the trouble with Hawk?" Richard asked.

"Everything," exclaimed his host. "A magnificent animal, but a very devil. I beg your pardon, Mrs. Renwyck, but it's true. Why, sir, there isn't a man on my place who dares to put his leg across his back."

"Ever try an outsider?" asked the guest, forgetting his part in his interest in the horse.

"Yes," returned Mr. Renwyck. "There was a jockey up here last week. I offered him \$20 for every minute he kept the saddle. By a stop watch he earned about 10 cents and told me that he wouldn't have the beast for a precious gift."

"Too bad," murmured Richard. "Really, I should like uncommonly well to try him."

"You!" cried Mr. Renwyck in genuine surprise. He paused to laugh. "I know you Englishmen are pretty good horsemen, Lord Croyland, but I'll tell you what—if you ride Hawk for half an hour without a spill I'll make you a present of him."

"Done!" said Richard.

"On conditions," added the other craftily.

"And those?"

"If you fall you'll buy him at my own price."

"Done again!" said Richard quietly.

But here Mrs. Renwyck and her daughter protested vigorously. They would not have their guest murdered before their eyes for a foolish wager. There were other horses in the stable of which Lord Croyland might have his pick, so why jeopard life and limb on this crazy, cranky brute that had proved himself so dangerous?

After much discussion the matter was compromised. They would inspect the horse after luncheon and then decide. Mrs. Renwyck believed that her guest after once seeing the animal would change his mind.

To Richard, who had been born in the saddle, so to speak, without reflecting on his mother, the prospect of conquering Hawk was as wine on a thirsty toper's tongue. Since leaving Texas his very knees had pined to grip a horse's barrel, and now it was with the greatest difficulty that his rising spirits were held in check.

Miss Harriet was divided between fear of an almost certain accident and the wish to see this young man ride. There was something about this easy, loose knit figure which inspired confidence. There was something, too, just what she could not say—that recalled a memory of plunging cattle, a face that loomed through clouds of dust, a steady arm that swept her from the saddle, and then—oh, nonsense! She liked this smooth shaven Englishman, and yet—she could like an unshaven cowboy too.

When they finished luncheon they repaired to the paddock, and Hawk was led from the stable, two groomings hanging warily to the double halter straps. He was a powerful roan, with a glossy coat and massive shoulders. The small head told of blood and spirit. The ears lay back, and the white of his eyes gleaming wickedly seemed to bear out Mr. Renwyck's statement as to his nasty temper.

"Umph!" said Richard critically. "Looks as if he wanted to put the gloves on with us, doesn't he?" He stepped forward, running his hand along Hawk's muscle quivering withers. "Jumper?"

"Yes, sir," returned the appreciative head groom; "four foot eight, sir, with a clean hood."

Richard nodded.

"Just saddle him, will you, my good man? I fancy Hawk and I will hit it off together nicely."

The horse was led into the center of the spongy paddock, where the dangerous task of saddling was completed. Richard rejected the bit chosen by the groom, selecting another with a deeper curb. Then he buckled on a pair of spurs and looked to the girth himself. He sighed for a high pommelled cowboy saddle, but was forced to content himself with a flat seated English riding affair, in which, Mr. Renwyck remarked, he would feel more at home doubtless.

The Texan turned, smiling, to his host.

"Half an hour, did you say, Mr. Renwyck? I'm afraid you are about to lose a valuable horse."

"And I'm afraid," muttered the other under his breath, "that the house of lords is about to lose a valuable member."

"No fear," said Richard softly, catching his remark.

"Be careful of the stirrup, sir," warned the deferential groom. "He'll shy when you raise your foot, sir."

Richard thanked the man, stepped near the horse quietly and for a moment stroked his neck. The animal stood with drooping head and a look of docile innocence which to a practiced eye was a precursor of certain mischief. There was an instant's pause. The young man gathered up the reins, stooped slightly, then suddenly shot upward, landing squarely in the saddle and slipping his feet into the swinging stirrups. It was a familiar range trick and deftly carried out.

It is difficult to say which were the more astonished, the grooms, Mr. Renwyck or Hawk himself, who squatted, reared and whished sharply to the left.

Falling in the first attempt to rid himself of an unwelcome burden, the animal reared, again, spinning on the pivot of his heels, but stopped at the stab of steel between his ribs.

Then began a battle which caused Miss Renwyck to hold her breath in admiration and alarm and her mother nearly to faint with terror. Her father forgot his wager and his dignity and danced in excitement, shouting encouragement to the daring rider. The roan, now thoroughly enraged, sought by every equine trick he knew to unseat his master, but in vain. If he bolted to right or left he felt a weight swing inward at the turn; if he reared two maddening spurs were dug into his flanks, while the effort to lower his head was checked by an iron hand.

Presently the horse stood still, as though he were thinking deeply, then suddenly plunged away on a dead straight line. For twenty yards he raced, then spread out his legs and slid, in the budding hope that his rider might continue on, but in this he was bitterly disappointed. He felt the agony of a cruel curb that gripped his tongue and found himself forced back upon his haunches, while his tenacious rider still remained astride his back.

Now, Hawk was not a single minded brute and had, so to speak, another project up his sleeve. Without warning he dropped upon the turf and rolled. Richard jumped. He alighted upon his feet, ran backward to avoid the vicious hoofs, and as the horse rose he mounted with a flying vault, while from his audience came a cheer that was music to the vanity of man and a further irritation to the horse. The roan repeated his experiment the second time, but with the same result, then once more bolted on the run, this time for the four foot fence of the paddock. To dash his rider against a rough oak post was a most commendable design in a horse, but the rider was otherwise disposed. The Texan gave his steed a loose, free rein, but as he neared the barrier checked him sharply and applied the spur. Hawk quivered, crouched, then took the fence like a soaring bird.

Outside a smooth road stretched away till lost behind the crest of a distant hill. Up this highway the big roan thundered as though old Tam o' Shanter covered upon his back, with a horde of witches streaming far out behind.

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He was known colloquially as Dog Faced Sam, though I dare say his parents never bothered to christen him at all. Jolly sort, those—er—cow chaps, 'pon my word!"

There was a short silence; then Mr. Renwyck blurted out abruptly: "Well, the horse is yours, of course. You rode him for a full half hour."

Richard took out his watch, glanced at it and closed it with a snap and a sigh.

"Twenty-eight minutes!" he exclaimed in well assumed dismay. "By Jove, I've lost my wager!"

"Hold on there," cried the old gentleman, but laughing in spite of his earnestness, "you can't squirm out of it that way. Why, bless my soul, you could have stuck on him till he dropped dead. No, Lord Croyland, I'm not a welsheer, nor do I shy at a margin of two minutes. No, sir, Hawk is yours!"

For answer Richard made a twitch of his thumb and finger, opened the horse's mouth and pointed to a badly swollen gum.

"He has a bad tooth, Mr. Renwyck, which perhaps accounts for his ugly temper. Fill it and you'll find a very different animal."

"What has that to do with the bet?" demanded Mr. Renwyck obstinately.

Richard fastened in his monocle after a desperate struggle and smiled and instantly lost his labor, for when ever he smiled it dropped out again.

"Couldn't think of accepting a different animal, y' know. Really, as Bills says, it wouldn't hit off with my conscience."

"Croyland," said the old gentleman, thrusting out his hand, "I didn't take to you much at first. But if you'll come with me to the house I'll introduce you to something that I keep strictly for friends."

Mr. Renwyck led the way with his wife, while Miss Harriet and the guest came sauntering after him.

"Lord Croyland," the young lady whispered, "I don't admire you especially because you know how to manage a horse—I've known other men who could do that—but—"

"But what?"

"I do admire you for knowing how to manage father. May I decorate you with this rose?"

CHAPTER VII.

WHILE dressing for dinner after a delightful afternoon with Harriet Renwyck, Richard took his first lesson in modern English history and geography.

The well trained Bills attempted to take full charge of the toilet, but upon this the new master put his foot down firmly.

"Bills," he said, "just about eighteen years ago, if I remember right, my nurse came to the conclusion that I was then old enough to get into my breeches without her able assistance. The conditions remain unchanged. Sit down and talk to me about London."

Gingerly availing himself of the edge of a chair on account of this concession of inexperience, the valet detailed an account of his master's movements for the past three years. On the whole, the story was interesting, though distinctly unflattering at times to a member of the nobility. Outwardly Bills was as expressionless as a sphinx; inwardly he enjoyed his own narrative hugely. It was seldom he had so glorious an opportunity of laying bare his private opinions of his wilful master.

"Umph!" grunted Richard as he tried on one of Lord Croyland's dinner jackets. "So I am responsible for three entanglements and one scandal of which I still wear honorable scars. Drop that part of it. I'm a seeker after general information only."

Bills looked disappointed, but strove to earn his salary on less tasteful lines. He was a shrewd man, and his knowledge of the requirements of Richard's case led him to give valuable information. He described Hyde park, Piccadilly, the Strand and many other haunts of the fashionable set; also a club or two and various prominent English people likely to be mentioned in general conversation.

Richard was possessed of a retentive memory, which he now stored full of odds and ends which would help him pass muster, provided, of course, he did not run foul of the initiated, in which case he shuddered to think of the possibilities. His alleged sojourn in the United States, especially his winter in Texas, accounted in a measure for occasional slips, but even with this in his favor the position was a trying one.

There was another feature of the enterprise which troubled him sorely. It was comparatively easy not to seem to appreciate a joke and to intersperse small talk with a few stock phrases delivered in a British drawl, but when he looked into the eyes of the woman he loved he longed with all his heart to be for once and all time an American. He sighed, for the sweep of the wide free plains, for a gallop with her across the fragrant prairie, to speak to her in his natural native tongue and

ner as he loved his

land. "Woolsey," he sighed, and it amused him to notice the valet resent the use of his Christian name, "I'm afraid, after all, I shall have to ask you to tie this neck thing. The ones I had at home were ready made and could be cinched up properly with a practical buckle at the back."

The valet deftly adjusted the bow, then gave a pull here and a poke there to the dinner suit, to which the master submitted meekly.

"M' lord," observed Bills, surveying his charge with an expert's eyes, "askin' your lordship's pardon for presumin' to mention it, the—er—the other one never looked quite so convincin', m' lord."

"Thank you, cardinal."

"Thank you, sir, an' I ain't no judge if the lady don't think so too."

Richard wheeled upon him sharply. "Lady? What lady?"

"W'y, Miss Renwyck, sir, the lady wot strikes me as—"

"Stop right there!" commanded Richard sternly. "There are certain subjects which are not discussed between a gentleman and his servant. This is one of them. Please remember it."

"Thank you, Mr.—er—I mean m' lord," said the valet respectfully. "Very good, sir."

In sizing up his man the astute Bills had made a grave mistake, wherein he found much food for reflection regarding his future line of conduct. He had long since learned to manage his former master by various cunning little artifices, but this wide awake Texan, with his square chin and steely blue eyes, was quite another proposition. Although Bills had divined the object of this masquerade, it did not seem as if he would profit much by it, and yet there must be some way in which he could turn it to his own advantage eventually, he was sure.

Meanwhile the adventurer descended into the drawing room and was presented to several other members of the small house party who had arrived by the late afternoon train for the week end. First there was Miss Caroline Schermerly, half sister to Mr. Renwyck and belonging to the haute noblesse of old Manhattan. Flatterers described her as a lady of uncertain age, although there was little doubt as to her personal antiquity. She was tall, somewhat angular and incased in a formal coat of blue blooded sleet, which had never thawed sufficiently to admit of a husband being warmed



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to her side. She approved of earls. They represented caste; therefore she promptly took Richard under her molting wing, to the vast discomfort of the gentleman thus appropriated.

Then there was Miss Imogene Chittendon, a bosom friend of Miss Renwyck, newly released from boarding school and radiant in the glamour of her first season out. She was blond, fluffy, giggly, enthusiastic, delivering her sentences in a short, jerky, staccato, with a deal of unnecessary emphasis, until her conversation suggested some one playing telegraph operator with a vichy siphon.

"She was so glad to meet a real live English lord! Really, it was delightful! How did it feel to be a nobleman instead of just an ordinary American? But of course he couldn't tell the difference, never having been anything else, you know," and so on ad libitum.

In his heart Richard agreed with her literally, but was not in a position to make explanations.

He was now introduced to the last of the guests, Mr. Cornelius van der Awe, an overyoung young man, sad eyed, dark and in love with Miss Chittendon to the verge of melancholia. He said he was very much pleased to meet Lord Croyland and asked if they were having much fog at home.

Richard had been posted on London fogs and was enabled to draw a picture sufficiently dismal to meet with the questioner's desires.

"Dinner is served," announced a tall butler, who fortunately chanced to be an Irishman. Otherwise there might have been whisperings over some of the strange earl's characteristics in the servants' hall.

"All right," said Mr. Renwyck; "we won't wait for Michael. He never missed an opportunity of being late in all his life."

Richard, who against his every inclination was forced to take in the stately Miss Schermerly, was wondering vaguely who "Michael" might be when suddenly his heart stood still at the entrance of the gentleman himself,

and again in his ears sounded the haunting echo of that doubtful compliment:

"Very good seat for an Englishman, my lord."

Mr. Michael Corrigan was a merry, hearty little man, brother to Mrs. Renwyck, not ashamed of his immediate Irish ancestry and a thorn in his brother-in-law Jacob's side. The two gentlemen had never got on well together, owing to an utter dissimilarity of tastes and a buldog tendency to argue out their respective sides of every question to the bitter end. If one made a statement the other was sure to combat it, no matter what his private convictions chanced to be, and poor Mrs. Renwyck lived in mortal dread of a tilt a la outrance between the two. Moreover, there had been a recent discussion, which, had Richard known it, would have caused him much distress of mind, for the rock on which the brothers-in-law had split was a business deal with one Bill Williams of San Antonio, Tex.

Before the advent of Mr. Corrigan, Richard had been pluming himself on having carried out his role so successfully. It was comparatively easy to throw sand in the eyes of the Renwycks and their guests, but Mr. Corrigan put a different complexion on the face of things, for the Texan recognized the gentleman as a staunch friend of his father's who had visited their ranch some ten years before. Richard was then a mere boy and would scarcely be remembered, he hoped, especially when masquerading as a foreigner. Still he had his quaking doubts and redoubled his efforts to appear un-American. As the dinner progressed he was rejoiced to detect no sign of recognition, but before the salad was served he found himself in trouble.

For the benefit of his guests Mr. Renwyck recounted the afternoon's feat of horsemanship, and Richard found himself upon the defensive. Fortunately he knew the details of the real Lord Croyland's venture in Texas cattle and told the story with good effect, thus accounting for his ability to ride anything that ran on four legs, yet all the while he felt the steady gaze of Mr. Corrigan's little gimlet eyes, which made him most uncomfortable.

When this ordeal was passed Miss Chittendon forced him into one more complication.

"Oh, Lord Croyland," she gushed from her seat on the opposite side of the table, "won't you please tell us a lot about England? I've never crossed, you know, and I'm just dying to see the places I've read of in so many books."

"My dear young lady," Richard returned, with unnatural languor, "you wouldn't find it half so jolly as your own country. Really, you know, I'm becoming such a good American that I fancy I shall never return to England again."

He was not to get out of that coil so easily, however, for the ladies plied him with difficult questions until he wished with all his heart that three of them at least were confined for life in the Tower of London, while he talked to the fourth of bronchos and love and things he understood. Then Mr. Corrigan took a hand.

"Lord Croyland," he began, leisurely sipping his port, "it has been many years since I was in London, but I have always retained a most delightful recollection of Hyde park. Very few changes there, I suppose?"

Richard brightened visibly. This was a subject on which the astute Bills had drilled him well. He could speak of it, he thought, with little danger of a slip. Mr. Corrigan went on reflectively:

"Quite a park, as I remember it."

"Vast," agreed Richard, wishing his mentor had been a little more explicit as to dimensions.

"I was especially impressed," said Mr. Corrigan, with delusive blandness, "with that splendid statue of Napoleon, which stands at the main entrance. You are familiar with it, of course, Lord Croyland?"

"Oh, quite!" assented Richard boldly, screwing in his monocle and looking Uncle Michael straight in the eye, with never a tremor in his own. "To me it is quite the finest bit of bronze I've ever seen."

Mr. Corrigan seemed puzzled.

"Bronze?" he murmured thoughtfully. "Now, that's strange. I was under the impression that it was done in marble." He looked up with a smile and a sigh. "I dare say I'm getting old, my lord."

Richard began to feel beads of cold perspiration gathering upon his brow, but dared not call attention thereto by mopping.

"It is quite weather stained, you know," he explained, with outward calm, "and perhaps—well, you see, the sculptor's name is Thornton. I've never heard that he worked in marble, though I may be wrong."

"But what I don't understand," exclaimed Mr. Renwyck, "is why you Englishmen ever put up a statue of Napoleon at all. Seems to me that hating him as you did it was rather a curious thing to do."

"Not at all," said Richard desperately; "prisoner, y'know—St. Helena—and all that sort of thing—er—mag-nanimous."

Uncle Michael did not seem convinced and was about to ask more questions when Mr. Renwyck turned upon him sharply.

"Michael, you are doing this for the sake of argument. I don't believe you know anything about it, and, what is more, I think Lord Croyland is humoring you for the sake of politeness. I'll prove it." He turned to Richard. "My boy, I ought to have warned you in advance. My brother-in-law is a crochety old lawyer who has never got over his bad habits. Tell me—honestly now—is there a statue of Napo-

leon Bonaparte in Hyde park at all?"

"No," smiled Richard, greatly relieved at this turn, "there is not."

"Who is it, then?"

"Wellington," said Richard, with triumphant carelessness, although he really did not know whether there was such a statue or not. But then neither did any one else at the table, although all but Miss Chittendon had visited England, some of them many times. The company laughed at Mr. Corrigan's discomfiture, while the victim himself seemed to enjoy it with the keenest zest. That dangerous incident was closed.

The dinner was finished at last, and Mr. Corrigan, pleading an appointment, departed, greatly to Richard's relief. The rest of the evening was spent in company with the ladies, for the young man's efforts to single out one in particular were invariably frustrated by the other three. It was not until nearly 11 that he had a short half hour with her alone, but in this he was repaid for all his tribulations. Miss Harriet was dressed in an exquisite pale blue gown, modestly revealing a neck and shoulders which to Richard were the most beautiful in all the world. They sat on the front veranda overlooking the river, she in a low wicker chair and he on the steps at her feet. Behind him were clusters of wistaria blooms, while beyond in the darkness the first of the fireflies twinkled like stars. To them came the nighttime scents and the murmur of the wind across the mighty Hudson on its journey to the sea.

Miss Harriet told him of her trip to Texas and of the gallant cowboy who had saved her life, while Richard listened with a bounding heart. He longed to claim a hero's place, to confess his deception and tell her the plain, bare truth. And yet he paused. To confess would involve disclosing the reason of his deceit, and he dare not risk the chance of losing her yet. She was young, romantic. The very daring of a lover's bold design might appeal to her; but, on the other hand, it was better to wait till he had won her heart than to ruin all by foolish precipitance.

"And what sort of chap was this cowboy?" he asked her presently.

"Oh, splendid!" she answered, with enthusiasm. "He was tall and straight and strong. Why, he lifted me as though I had been a child and set me down as tenderly as my own mother might have done. It all came so suddenly and I was so bewildered that I scarcely even thanked him. I know he thinks me perfectly horrid, and I would give anything on earth if I could only tell him that I'm—that I'm not."

"And you saw all that in five minutes?" he asked eagerly.

"In five minutes!" she exclaimed, surprised. "How do you know how long it was?"

"Oh—er—a perfectly natural inference," he stammered, hunting for cover desperately.

"Well, it was a short time," she sighed.

"And yet you did not learn his name?"

Miss Harriet shook her head.

"No. We came away at once, and I had no chance. You see, I only saw him for a moment—that is, after he put me down—and—and he was in such a hurry to catch his cows."

Richard smiled into the wistaria vine and was silent for a time.

"I suppose," he began presently, "that the young fellow was of the ordinary type of cowboy we see so frequently on—"

"No," interrupted Miss Harriet, with a decisiveness that pleased him to the quick; "he was nothing of the sort. Of course he was roughly dressed, as they all are, but a gentleman is a gentleman even in a flannel shirt, and 'chaps' don't they call them? Do you know, Lord Croyland, he reminds me in many ways of you. He—no, no," she added hastily, "I don't mean that. He—was quite different. You see, he was an American."

"Lucky beggar!" observed the pseudo earl, with a heavy sigh. "Miss Renwyck, I, too, would love to become an American if—won't you teach me how?"

"I?" she laughed. "Yes, I will, if you promise to follow instructions implicitly."

"Done!" he answered. "I'm ready for my first lesson. How will you begin?"

She thought for a moment, then looked down upon him implisly.

"First I think I should like to destroy your monocle with—a croquet mallet."

Richard screwed it into his eye with renewed vigor and stared up at her through it with an excellent simulacrum of a wondering English incomprehension, stammering out with delightful vagueness:

"D'ye mean while I am—ah—wearing it, Miss Renwyck?"

CHAPTER VIII.

AFTER Miss Renwyck had retired Richard lighted a cigarette and sat alone on the veranda, turning over in his mind the events of his first crowded day and his plans for the future campaign. Mr. Michael Corrigan troubled him. This little fat man was nobody's fool, and no one could tell what sort of mischief was being hatched behind those piercing eyes, which, if they continued to twinkle about the Renwyck place, would shortly discover many things. Richard sighed and flicked the stump of his cigarette away. He rose and was about to pass into the house when he was met in the doorway by Mr. Renwyck.

"Croyland," said his host impressively, "there is a little matter which I should like to talk over with you, and I have purposely waited until the ladies retired."

(Continued Next Sunday.)

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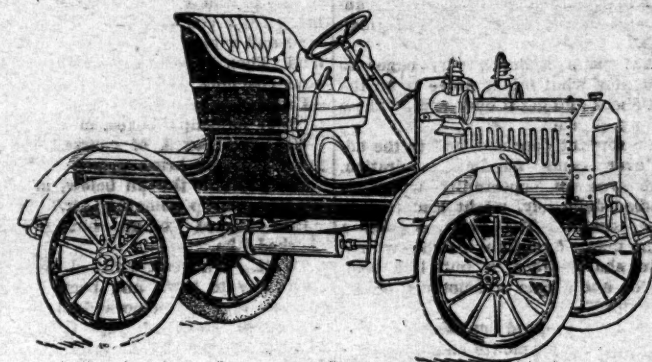
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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 1.
SPIRITS—Turepine—Market steady, 50 1/4 cents.
ROSIN—Market, steady, \$3.25 per barrel of 280 pounds.
TAR—Market, nothing doing.
CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm \$2.25 per barrel for hard, \$3.25 for dip and \$3.25 for virgin.
 Quotations same day last year—spirits turpentine firm 69; rosin firm \$3.90; tar quiet \$2.30; crude turpentine, \$3.35; \$4.50 and \$4.50.
RECEIPTS.
 Spirits Turpentine 7
 Rosin 54
 Tar 34
 Crude Turpentine 58
 Receipts—Same day last year, 2 casks spirits turpentine; 60 barrels rosin; 71 barrels tar; 98 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.
 Market—Steady, at 11 1/2 cents for middling.
 Same day last year—Steady 10 1/2 cents for middling.
 Receipts—1,105 bales same day last year 709 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.
PEANUTS—North Carolina Prime 95c, extra prime \$1.00; fancy \$1.05 per bushel of 28 pounds; Virginia—No. 1, 70; fancy 75¢; Spanish 90¢@1.00.
CORN—Firm, 80¢@82 1/2¢ per bushel for white; 78¢@80 for mixed.
N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, 17c per pound; shoulders 12 1/2¢@13; sides dull, 12 1/2¢@13c.
EGGS—Dull at 17¢@18c per dozen.
CHICKENS—Dull at 15¢@30c for large springs; grown, firm, 30¢@35c.
BEEF—Firm at 24c.
TALLOW—Firm at 1 1/4¢@5c per pound.
BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 2 1/2¢ per pound on foot.
HIDES—Dry flint, 8 to 9c; green 4 to 5c per pound.
PORK—Firm at 70¢@71c per pound.
TURKEYS—Firm at 15c on foot; \$3.00 dressed.
SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 65¢@70c per bushel.
CHEESE—Firm, 60¢@70c per head.
COW PEAS—\$1.40@1.50 per bushel; white peas, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per bushel.
WOOL—Firm at 23¢@24c per pound.

THE COTTON MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 2 to 4 points, and during the early session increased the loss to a matter of 8 to 9 points on the active months, under local bear pressure and a few stop loss orders. Week end figures were slightly bearish and Liverpool cables indifferent, but Southern spot news was bullish, and brokers supposed to represent the bull leader appeared to be buying on the decline.
 The market was barely steady and at practically the lowest during the middle of the morning.
 The market closed steady with prices 12 to 14 points lower.
 Receipts at the ports today 29,823 against 22,210 bales last week and 33,249 last year. For the week 240,000 bales against 287,984 last week and 256,718 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans, 7,962 bales against 6,263 last year and at Houston 6,800 bales against 13,833 last year.
 Cotton: Spot closed quiet; middling 11.65; middling gulf 11.90; no sales.
 Futures opened and closed steady.
 Month. Open. Close.
 February 10.90 10.85
 March 11.05 10.96
 April 10.96 10.91
 May 11.01 10.87
 June 10.97 10.71
 July 10.80 10.50
 August 10.59 10.50
 October 10.17 10.03

PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 11 1/8; Net receipts 11,050.
 New Orleans—Quiet, 11 7/8; Net receipts 7,962.
 Mobile—Quiet, 11 1/2; Net receipts 78.
 Savannah—Quiet, 11 1/2; Net receipts 4,310.
 Charleston—Quiet, 11 1/4; Net receipts 718.
 Wilmington—Steady, 11 1/2; Net receipts 1,105.
 Norfolk—Quiet, 11 7/8; Net receipts 988.
 Baltimore—Nominal, 12.00.
 New York—Quiet, 11.65; Net receipts 551.
 Boston—Quiet, 11.65; Net receipts 5,728.
 Philadelphia—Quiet, 11.90; Net receipts 1,225.
 Pensacola—Net receipts 3,061.
 Total today, at all ports, Net 29,823; Great Britain 44,027; France 60; Continent 14,232; Stock 784,102.
 Consolidated, at all ports, Net 29,823; Great Britain 44,027; France 60; Continent 14,232.
 Total since Sept. 1, at all ports, Net 2,282,870; Great Britain 2,277,784; France 594,331; Continent 2,174,199; Spain 130,741; Mexico 1,299.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 11 5/8; Net receipts 6,800.
 Augusta—Quiet, 11 3/4; Net receipts 340.
 Memphis—Steady, 11 7/8; Net receipts 1,415.
 St. Louis—Dull, 12 1/2; Net receipts 100.
 Cincinnati—Net receipts 45.
 Louisville—Firm, 12 1/8.
 Little Rock—Steady, 11 9/16; Net receipts 205.
 Total today—Net Receipts 9,313; Gross Receipts 12,792; Shipments 14,330; Sales 2,073; Stock 303,517.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)
 Liverpool, Feb. 1.—Cotton: Spot quiet, prices 9 points lower, American middling fair, 6.92; good middling, 6.50; middling, 6.30; low middling, 5.96; good ordinary, 5.54; ordinary 5.04.
 The sales of the day were 5,000 bales of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 4,100 American.
 Receipts, 22,000 bales including 13,300 American.

300 American.
 Futures opened quiet and steady and closed quiet, American middling, February 5.85 1/2; February and March, 5.85; March and April 5.85 1/2; April and May 5.84 1/2; May and June, 5.82 1/2; June and July 5.80 1/2; July and August, 5.75 1/2; August and September, 5.64 1/2; September and October, 5.53 1/2; October and November, 5.43 1/2; November and December 5.41.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—A heavy storm shut off trade in the dry goods jobbing markets but shipments on old orders were fair. The primary market on heavy cottons showed easing. Fine white goods and linens are slow. Bur-laps are easy.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—Demand for stocks was dull today and prices drifted downwards. Weakness was marked at different times and in special stocks some of the selling was attributed to foreign account and Wall Street expressed fear that distrust of American securities as a reflection of the tone of President Roosevelt's message to Congress of yesterday was indicated by this selling. There was much discussion of the formal announcement of the determination of the steel corporation and the other leading interests in the trade to maintain prices. The advantage of stable conditions in encouraging future commitments in business affairs is the feature of this policy which receives approval.

The bank statement showed the expected increase in cash holdings, but the averages were confused by the deduction from the average accounts of the four minor banks which have been closed since the statement was issued. The completion of preparations opens the way for a report next week to the State banking department of the condition of State banks.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales par value \$2,009,000. United States 2s declined 1-8 and the 4s registered 1-4, while the 3s advanced 1-2 per cent. on call during the week. Total sales of stocks today were 332,100 shares.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—Money on call nominal. Time loans slightly firmer; sixty days 3-4 to 4, and ninety days 4 to 4 1/4. Six months 4 1/2 to 4 3/4. Prime mercantile paper 5 1/2 to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange fair, steady with actual business in bankers bills at 4.8690 to 4.87 for demand and at 4.8365 to 4.8375 for sixty day bills. Commercial bills 4.83 1/2 to 4.83 5/8. Bar silver 55 1/2. Mexican dollars 44.

CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—The statement of clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks hold \$40,526,725 more than the requirements of the 25 per cent. reserve rule. This is an increase of \$3,462,225 in the proportional cash reserves as compared with last week. The statement follows:
 Loans, \$1,133,786,100; decrease \$1,783,600.
 Deposits, \$1,138,501,500; increase \$1,333,500.
 Circulation, \$62,263,700; decrease \$789,400.
 Legal tenders, \$67,012,500; decrease \$1,601,300.
 Specie, \$258,139,600; increase \$7,896,900.
 Reserve, \$325,152,100; increase \$6,295,600.
 Reserve required, \$284,625,375; increase \$2,833,375.
 Surplus, \$40,526,725; increase \$3,462,225.
 Ex-U. S. deposits, \$55,782,725; increase \$1,316,125.

New York Bonds.

U. S. refunding 2s reg. 103 7/8
 U. S. refunding 2s cou. 103 7/8
 U. S. 3s reg. 100 3/4
 U. S. 3s cou. 101 1/2
 U. S. new 4s reg. 118
 U. S. new 4s cou. 119 1/2
 American Tobacco Co. 4s 65
 American Tobacco Co. 6s 103 1/2
 Atlantic Coast Line 89 1/2
 Baltimore & Ohio 101 1/2
 L. & N. Unified 4s 99 3/4
 Seaboard Air Line 50 1/2
 Southern Railway 5s 88 1/2
 U. S. Steel 5s 88 3/8

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamated Copper 50 7/8
 American Car Foundry 29 1/2
 American Cotton Oil Co. 32 1/2
 Amr. Cotton Oil Co. pfd. 80 3/8
 American Locomotive 36 1/2
 American Smelting and ref. 68 1/2
 Amr. Smelting & Ref. pfd. 91
 American Sugar Refining 111 1/2
 Amr. Tobacco pfd cert. 79 1/2
 Atchafson 71 7/8
 Atchafson pfd 87
 Atlantic Coast Line 68 7/4
 Baltimore & Ohio 83 1/4
 Baltimore & Ohio pfd 83
 Chesapeake & Ohio 29 1/2
 Kansas City Southern 20
 Kansas City Southern pfd 59
 L. & N. 97 1/2
 New York Central 95
 Norfolk & Western 65
 Norfolk & Western pfd 78
 Pennsylvania 111 7/8
 People's Gas 84 7/8
 Reading 2nd pfd 103
 Rock Island Co. 13 3/4
 Rock Island Co. pfd 26 3/4
 Southern Pacific 73 3/8
 Southern Pacific pfd 111 1/2
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 Southern Railway pfd 32 1/4
 Tenn. Coal & Iron 95
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 Va-Car. Chemical 17 1/2
 Va-Car. Chemical pfd 90 3/8
 Seaboard Air Line 54 1/2
 Seaboard Air Line pfd 450
 Western Union 54 1/2

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—Flour dull and lower to sell. Minnesota 5.30 to 5.60; winter patents 4.75 to 5.10.
 Rye Flour—Barely steady; fair to good 4.75 to 5.15.

Buckwheat Flour—Slow \$3.00 per 100 pounds.
 Corn Meal—Steady; fine white and yellow 1.40 to 1.45.
 Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 98 1/2 elevator. Options 1-4 lower to 1-4c higher. May 1.03 5/8; July 1.00 3/8.
 Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 70 nominal elevator. Options 1-4c net lower. May 67 5/8; July 66 5/8.
 Oats—Quiet; Mixed 53 1/2.
 Lard—Steady; Eastern prime 7.65 to 7.75.
 Pork—Steady; family 16.00 to 17.00. Tallow—Quiet; city 5 3/8.
 Rice—Firm; domestic fair to extra 3 1/4 to 6 1/2.
 Molasses—Quiet; New Orleans open kettle good to choice 34 to 42.
 Sugar—Raw dull; fair refining 3.25; centrifugal 96 test 3.65; molasses sugar 3.00 to 3.05. Refined—Quiet; No. 9, 4.35; No. 10, 4.25; No. 11, 4.20; No. 12, 4.15; No. 13, 4.10; No. 14, 4.05; confectioners A, 4.70; mould A, 5.25; cut loaf 5.70; crushed 5.60; powdered 5.00; granulated 4.90; cubes 5.15.
 Peanuts—Steady, unchanged.
 Cabbages—Quiet, steady, unchanged.

Freights—Steady.
 Cotton seed Oil—Dull, but firmly held on light offerings and bull support. Prime crude 31 to 31 1/2; prime summer yellow 40 1/2; off summer yellow 38 1/2 to 39 1/2; good off summer yellow 38 3/4 to 40; prime white 40 to 43; prime yellow 43 to 46.
 Coffee—Spot steady; Rio No. 7, 6 1/4 Santos No. 4, 8 1/8. Mild coffee—Steady; Cordova 9 1/2 to 13. Futures unchanged.
 Butter—Firm, held creamery second to special 24 to 31.
 Cheese—Firm; full cream specials 16.
 Eggs—Firm; nearby fancy selected white 30 to 31; good to choice 27 to 29; brown and mixed fancy 26 to 27; first 25 to 25 1/2; Western and Southern first 25; seconds 23 to 24.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 Chicago, Feb. 1.—The local wheat market was nervous today, prices fluctuating over a range of nearly two cents. The close, however, was steady, owing to active demand by shorts, final quotations on the May delivery being 1-8 to 1-4c. Corn was 1-8c higher. Oats were unchanged and provisions were 1-2c higher to 1-2 1/2 to 1-5c lower.
 Leading futures closed as follows:
 Wheat—May, 95 7/8 to 96; July, 93 1/2; September, 90 5/8.
 Corn—May, 58 7/8; July, 57 5/8 to 3-4; September, 57 5/8.
 Oats—May, old, 51 1/4; May, new, 49 3/8; July, old, 44 3/8; July, new, 43 1/8.
 Mess pork, per barrel—February, 11.16 1/2; May, 12.10; July, 12.37 1/2.
 Lard, per 100 pounds—February, 47 1/2; May, 47 1/2; July, 47 1/2.
 Short ribs, per 100 pounds—February, 6.25; May, 6.55; July, 6.77 1/2.
 Cash quotations were as follows:
 Flour—Dull and easy.
 No. 2 spring wheat—1.06 to 1.08; No. 3, 92 to 1.06; No. 2 red 90 3/4 to 94.
 No. 2 corn—56 1/2 to 57; No. 2 yellow 55 1/2 to 59.
 No. 2 oats—48 1/4; No. 3 white 48 to 50 1/2.
 Short Ribs, Sides (loose)—6.00 to 6.37 1/2.
 Mess Pork, per bbl.—11.62 1/2 to 11.75.
 Lard, per 100 lbs.—7.47 1/2.
 Short Clear Sides (boxed)—6.50 to 6.75.
 Whiskey, basis of high wines—1.35.

NAVAL STORES.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)
 New York, Feb. 1.—Rosin quiet, strained common to good 4.00 to 4.10; turpentine firm at 54 1/2.
 Savannah, Feb. 1.—Turpentine firm, 52; sales 65; receipts 111; stock 455.
 Rosin firm; sales 2,169; receipts 1,357; shipments 976; stock 97,473.
 Quote: A B C D E F G, 3.60 to 3.65; H, 3.65; I, 4.00; K, 5.00; M, 5.50; N, 6.00; W G, 6.50; W W, 6.75.

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 C. C. Railroad—28 barrels tar; 22 casks spirits turpentine.
 W. & W. Railroad—60 bales cotton.
 W. C. & A. Railroad—977 bales cotton; 6 barrels tar.
 A. & Y. Railroad—68 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels rosin.
 Schr. Josie D.—36 barrels crude turpentine.
 Total—1,105 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 54 barrels rosin; 34 barrels tar; 58 barrels crude turpentine.

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List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.
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 Dundonian (Br.), 2,123 tons, MacLeod, Helde & Co.
 Reliance (Br.), 2,362 tons, Candlish, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
 Thimbleby (Br.), 1,168 tons, Northards, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
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the Jury Prisoner Was on Way
to the Mattewan Hospital
for Criminal Insane.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Feb. 1.—Adjudge not guilty of the murder of Stanford White, by reason of insanity at the time the fatal shots were fired, Harry Kendall Thaw today was held by the court to be a dangerous lunatic and was hurried away to the State hospital for the criminal insane at Mattewan.

It was a quick transition from the dingy little cot in the toms which had been the young man's home for more than 18 months, to the white-bedded wards of the big asylum, tucked away on the snow covered sloping banks of the Hudson river fifty miles above the city.

The verdict came after 25 hours of waiting, and when every one connected with the case had abandoned all hope of an agreement ever being reached in this or any other trial. Four hours after the foreman's lips had framed the words "not guilty" with the accompanying insanity clause, Thaw protesting he was sane, was on his way to Mattewan. A little after nightfall, he had been received in the institution under commitment papers which directed his detention "until discharged by course of law."

No more unwilling patient ever made a journey to a State institution. Thaw's train on its way to Fishkill landing where a carriage was taken to Mattewan, passed beneath the very walls of grim Sing Sing, but at no time since his arrest on the night of June 25, 1906, has the young millionaire ever held the thought that he would see the inside of that famous prison, and he heeded it not.

The first thrill of the words of acquittal brought Thaw to his feet in the court room and he awkwardly, almost haughtily bowed his acknowledgments to the twelve jurymen, as they were discharged by the court.

A smile played about his pallid features and there was every reason to believe that he was entirely pleased with the outcome. It was after he had heard the words of Justice Dowling committing him to Mattewan on the ground that his release, in the opinion of the court, would endanger public safety and after the elation of the verdict had died away, that Thaw rebelled. He commanded his attorneys immediately to sue out a writ of habeas corpus to have his sanity tested, before he was sent away to the up-state institution where the insane of criminal tendencies are confined.

Mrs. William Thaw from her hotel, where she had received over the telephone the news of the trial's end, joined in the demand of her son.

Martin W. Littleton chief counsel for the defense, finally prevailed against the wishes of the mother, indicating to her that he believed it would be better for the present to obey the mandate of the court, Justice Dowling, it was said, had been consulted in the matter after he had signed his order of commitment and informally advised Thaw's counsel against making an immediate contest. The prisoner's consent was not won until after a lively scene with his counsel and his wife, the latter pleading with him for more than an hour to be content for a time at least, with what fate had given him.

Under promise that some action speedily would be taken looking to the appointment of a commission to inquire into his present sanity, or for his transfer to a private institution where his wife and other members of his family might reside with him, Thaw consented to go without further protest.

On his way to Mattewan Thaw dictated the following authorized statement to a representative of the Associated Press:

"I am perfectly sane now, but I am going to Mattewan on the advice of my counsel who thought it unwise to sue for a writ of habeas corpus at this time. Counsel will proceed in the matter of my release just as soon as they can get together the proofs they will present that I am at present sane. I am confident that my stay at Mattewan will be for a short period of time only."

Thaw was accompanied from the toms to the Grand Central station by his wife and Josiah Thaw, his brother, Attorney A. Russell Peabody and Daniel O'Reilly went with him to Mattewan. Mr. Littleton is understood to have talked very plainly to Thaw while the subject of suing out a writ of habeas corpus was under discussion.

Mr. Littleton informed Thaw, it was stated, that "there is such a thing as public sentiment in New York city."

"But I shall not go to Mattewan," Thaw is reported to have repeated many times.

"You will have to go," replied Mr. Littleton.

Daniel O'Reilly joined in this decision. Both the mother and Evelyn Thaw will visit Mattewan on Monday, all visitors being barred from the institution on Sunday.

Daniel O'Reilly announced tonight that when a writ of habeas corpus issued in Thaw's behalf shall be decided upon in the future—the application probably will be made at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., the county seat of Dutchess county, in which Mattewan is located.

Thaw was cheered by a crowd of several hundred persons as he was hurried away from the toms in his

wife's automobile. If he heard he paid no heed.

A special car was attached to the regular train over the New York Central but there was a 15 minute delay in the departure of the train. Thaw smoked and talked with his counsel throughout the journey.

From the moment the word came from the jury room at 12:40 P. M., that a report was about to be made, the closing events of the famous case moved almost with cyclonic rapidity. For a day and a night there had been absolute silence on the part of the jury.

Few spectators were allowed in the room and an incipient demonstration was stopped by the officers when they arrested Theodore Roosevelt Pell, for a burst of applause. Pell was fined \$25 by Justice Dowling for contempt of court.

Thaw was not prepared for the climax of his case and there was an appreciable delay in summoning him to the bar.

Thaw was commanded to stand and face the jurors and they were in turn called to their feet.

"Jurors, look upon the defendant, defendant, look upon the jurors," called Clerk Penny. "Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon a verdict?"

"We have," said Foreman Gremmels.

"What say you, is the defendant guilty or not guilty?"

"Not guilty, on the ground that he was insane at the time of the commission of the act charged in the indictment."

After thanking the jury, Justice Dowling turned to Thaw and his attorneys and said:

"The only testimony in the case upon which a verdict of insanity could be based was to the effect that the defendant is suffering from a maniac-depressive form of mental derangement. This testimony and the diagnosis of the form of insanity was based upon prior outbreaks of the defendant as testified to by witness from London, Monte Carlo, Paris and Albany. It also appears from the testimony, and the court was careful to inquire as to this, that recurrences of these attacks are reasonably certain. There has been no testimony adduced here to show that a person suffering from this form of insanity ever can be permanently cured. It appears, however, that during the maniacal form of the disease the person suffering therefrom is likely to commit dangerous assaults or murder. There is danger also of suicide."

"Therefore upon all the testimony in this case, the court deems that to allow the defendant to go at large would be dangerous to the public safety. The decision of the court is that the defendant shall not now be discharged, but being in custody, shall be so held, and committed with all dispatch to the State hospital for the criminal insane at Mattewan."

Mrs. Evelyn Thaw and Josiah Thaw were the only members of the prisoner's family in court when the verdict was announced. The young woman thanked individually each member of the jury and followed Mr. Littleton's example of shaking hands with them. All of the defendant's counsel were seated with the verdict. District Attorney Jerome was almost as well pleased himself. He has contended from the first that Thaw was medically if not legally insane. Mr. Jerome congratulated Mr. Littleton and both counsel and jury returned in congratulating Justice Victor J. Dowling, who presided at the trial with so much satisfaction to both sides. The jurymen expressed their thanks to the Judge for his kindly interest in all matters affecting their comfort.

So far as lies within his power, District Attorney Jerome will resist any effort to have Thaw liberated at any time in the near future. Neither will he willingly consent to his transfer to a sanatorium.

Is in Observation Ward.

Mattewan, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Harry K. Thaw arrived here tonight at 9:40 o'clock and was immediately assigned to the observation ward of the State hospital for the criminal insane, where he will remain for a week or two until the authorities can note his mental condition and make some definite arrangement for his future stay in the institution. The new patient sleeps tonight in a small iron bed in a dormitory where about fifty other men are quartered. An attendant is on guard constantly to prevent any of the men from arising.

High Compliment by Charlotte Chronicle to Two Carolinians.

Editor Wade Harris in the Charlotte Chronicle says: "North Carolina has two mighty good men in Congress. One is Senator Lee S. Overman and the other is Representative E. Yates Webb. Both pull for money for the South and that is the sort of men we need in Congress and the sort we should keep there. Webb gets monuments and public buildings, and Overman gets appropriations for rivers and harbors, custom house, national avenues and things of that kind. He is going to get a new custom house for Wilmington, a city that stands sadly in need of one, and he is going to have a survey made of the Cape Fear for the 30-foot channel from Wilmington to the sea. It is peculiarly true of Overman and Webb that they hold attention whenever they have anything to say and generally get what they ask for. In one day, The Chronicle says Senator Overman got a favorable report on his bill for a survey of the Cape Fear and saw him put in a pull for \$500,000 for the Wilmington custom house; and it heard Representative Webb rap Representative Tawney about the operations of the peonage spies in the South. And that little talk of Webb's was worth hearing."

MURDERER IS ARRESTED

Negro Who Killed Virginia Telegraph Operator Has Been Arrested.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 1.—William Mack, the negro who murdered Darney McGee, telegraph operator, in Dinwiddie county yesterday, was arrested near Emporia, late this afternoon. The negro was identified by Gaultier, the eye-witness of the tragedy, and he has confessed his crime. He is in jail at Emporia. There are threats of lynching.

KING CARLOS ASSASSINATED

Was Riding In The Royal Carriage
When He Was Fired
Upon.

CROWN PRINCE ALSO DEAD

Queen Arose in the Carriage When
Shots Were Fired to Shield Her
Sons But Was Uninjured.
Three Renegades Shot.

(By Cable to the Morning Star.)

Lisbon, Feb. 1.—King Carlos and the Crown Prince, Luiz Philippe, were assassinated today.

They were shot to death while seated in the royal carriage at Lisbon just after their return from Villa Vicosia where they had been sojourning, by a band of men who fired a volley from carbines.

The royal family was driving in an open carriage when a group of men at the corner of Praca do Comercio and The Rua do Arsenal suddenly sprang toward the carriage and leveling carbines which they had concealed upon them fired mortally wounding the King and the Crown Prince and slightly wounding the King's young son, Prince Manuel.

Queen Amelie who rose in the carriage and tried to shield the Crown Prince, was unhurt.

Immediately the police guard fired on the assassins killing three of them. Almost at the first shot the King fell back on the cushions dying and at the same moment, the Crown Prince was seen to half arise and then sink back on the seat. Queen Amelie jumped up and threw herself toward the Crown Prince, in an apparent effort to save his life at the cost of her own but the Prince had received his death wound.

The police guard fired upon the assassins and killed three of them.

The royal family were returning from Villa Vicosia where they had been sojourning and were on their way from the station to the palace. A strong guard was in attendance because of the recent uprising in the city and the discovery of a plot to assassinate Premier Franco and overthrow the monarchy, but the band of murderers had selected the most advantageous spot for the commission of their crime, for they were concealed from the eyes of the police until the carriage had wheeled into the Praca do Comercio, a large square. Before any of the guard were aware of what was happening, the assassins leaped toward the carriage and instantly a fusillade of shots rang out.

In a moment all was in terrible confusion, the King and Crown Prince being shot down without the slightest chance to save themselves.

Police guards sprang upon the regicides, the number of whom is somewhat uncertain, and killed three of them and captured three others. One of these committed suicide after being placed in prison. It is charged that one of the murderers was a Spaniard named Bordova.

The bodies of the King and the Crown Prince were removed from the marble arsenal in two closed carriages to the royal palace, the Praca das Necessidades, the late residence of the King, escorted by municipal guards mounted.

The news of the assassination swept through the city like fire through dry grass and tonight half the populace is panic-stricken, not knowing where the next blow may fall. There is the greatest dread for the future of the country which seems on the verge of being plunged into the awful throes of a revolution with all the attendant horrors and bloodshed. Throughout the city consternation reigns and all the houses and business places are barricaded.

An examination of the wounds of the King, who was already dead when he reached the arsenal, showed that three bullets had found their mark. One wound was situated at the nape of the neck, a second in the shoulder and the third, which was the fatal wound, severed the carotid artery. The Crown Prince, who was still breathing, but who died almost immediately after admission to the arsenal, had suffered three wounds in the head and chest. Two bullets had struck Prince Manuel, one in the jaw and the other in the arm.

Queen Maria Pia, the mother of King Carlos, the Duke of Oporto, his brother, a number of the ministers and court officials hastened at once to the arsenal when the news reached them of the attack upon the royal family.

The cold blooded murder has sent a thrill of horror throughout the country.

At the first blush it would seem as though the assassination was the work of anarchists. Nevertheless, the stirring events of the last few weeks has prepared the people for some startling culmination.

The discovery of plot after plot, as well as the discovery of many secret stores of weapons and ammunition, had demonstrated the existence of a determination on the part of a large body of Portuguese to overthrow the present conditions.

The tragedy occurred at 5:30 in the afternoon, but the panic which instantly gripped the city and all its activities prostrated the lines of communication and it was not for some hours that the news of the assassination was permitted to be sent broadcast.

Lisbon tonight wears an air of utter desolation. The theatres and cafes are closed, the streets are almost deserted and the electric cars are moving without passengers.

The minds of all the faithful monarchists have turned to the thought that the wounded infant Manuel is now King of Portugal and couriers thundered through the streets summoning to

the bedside of the wounded youth all the skilled physicians that could be found in Lisbon.

The latest bulletin from the bedside of Prince Manuel states that at present there is no danger of complications from the wounds. The greatest fear is of the possibility of blood poisoning later.

Premier Franco, the dictator of the kingdom, was carried to the palace protected by a squad of cavalrymen and there he conferred with the Queen and high officials of State on what immediate action should be taken.

It is understood that Queen Amelie will be regent during the minority of Prince Emanuel who is now in his nineteenth year.

The only striking sequence to the tragedy was the complete and bewildering silence in which Lisbon is enwrapped.

The details of the murder shows that they were cunningly arranged. The fact that the royal family were returning from Villa Vicosia had been made public in advance and the authorities had arranged what they considered an effective guard along the route which the royal carriage was to take. The trip from Villa Vicosia was without incident.

The King and his family returned at the end of a day of the greatest excitement in the city on account of the wholesale arrests and the continual discovery of new depots of arms and bombs. A great throng were grouped about the Barrerio railroad station and the neighboring streets when the members of the royal family disembarked for the purpose of driving across the Tagus in reaching the actual limits of Lisbon. The court carriages awaited them before the landing stage and the King and Queen and the two Princes entered the leading carriage which started immediately, wheeling into the Praca do Comercio.

Suddenly the sharp crack of carbines startled the assemblage. Then the air was filled with a succession of sharp reports and the King was seen to jump up and reach for his throat, then to drop back on the cushions. The Crown Prince almost simultaneously was seen to collapse and fall toward the side of the carriage, while the Queen driven to a frenzy, was seeking to save the Crown Prince and the Infanta Manuel by shielding them with her body.

Francisco Figueira, an orderly who was walking near the royal carriage at the time of the outrage drew his revolver and killed one of the regicides and the police sprang at the others. They turned rapidly and fled, the police pursuing them and killing one of them near the town hall. Both the bodies were carried into the town hall, but have not yet been identified. It is believed, however, that one of the men is a Spaniard and the other a Frenchman. The weapons that they used were repeating carbines of five chambers.

The Ministers of State held a council and ordered the most rigorous precautions throughout the city. On the surface the city tonight appeared to be calm, the silence that prevailed being remarkable, and there was hardly a sign of life. The square surrounding the naval arsenal, the town hall and Bank of Portugal, are occupied by troops.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Official news of the assassination of King Carlos, and the Crown Prince of Portugal was received here late tonight through a cablegram from Minister Bryan at Lisbon, which conveyed the simple announcement of the commission of the crime.

President Roosevelt was at once notified by Acting Secretary of State Bacon and expressed his deep sorrow.

Government officials and members of the diplomatic corps were shocked at the news and on every hand were heard words of sorrow over the tragic ending of Portugal's monarch, and heir to the throne.

ADMIRAL EVANS' SHIPS.

Are Welcomed by Both British and Chilean Cruisers.

Punta Arenas, Straits of Magellan, Feb. 1.—The American battleship fleet steamed into Punta Arenas harbor today and came to anchor at 12:50 P. M. The American ships were sighted at 11 A. M., steaming in double column. They came up slowly from Possession Bay where they had anchored the night before and at 12:35 were abreast of the port.

While yet some distance away a salute to the port boomed out from the Connecticut and the Chacabuco replied. The British cruiser Sappho also saluted the Connecticut, which responded in kind and as the Connecticut passed the Chilean cruiser saluted the American flags and the Connecticut saluted the Chilean flag.

Before the arrival of the fleet a wireless message from the Chacabuco was sent to Admiral Evans by Admiral Simpson, extending a hearty welcome from the Chilean navy to the American navy. Admiral Evans at once responded with many thanks.

The run from Rio Janeiro, whence the start was made on January 22, was made with favorable weather and without accident.

The fleet was met at the entrance of Broad Sound by the Chilean cruiser Chacabuco and the English cruiser Sappho. Arriving in port shortly after noon, the Chilean vice minister of marine and John Hicks, American minister at Santiago de Chile, came aboard the Connecticut and greeted Admiral Evans who was practically recovered from his attack of rheumatism and is actively directing the movements of the fleet.

Winthrop to Speak Here.

The Washington correspondent of yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer says: "Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Winthrop today accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of the annual dinner on March 6th. The invitation was presented by Messrs. Keith, Rogers and Vickers."

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NOTICE.	
The 55th Annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society will be held in the Seamen's Home on Tuesday next, the 4th of February, at three o'clock P. M. All citizens interested in the welfare of sailors in this port are requested to be present and become active members of this society, which is self-supporting and which does not ask any pecuniary assistance. There is good philanthropic work to be done by all who are willing to help us.	
JAMES SPRUNT, President	
to 2-11.	
CONCORD CHAPTER, NO. 1, R. A. M.	
COMPANIONS:	
There will be a special Convocation Monday evening at 8 o'clock to confer The Past Masters degree.	
By order of the High Priest.	
W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.	
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MOTHER AND CHILD DEAD.	
Burned to Death in Their Home Near Raleigh Yesterday.	
(By Wire to the Morning Star.)	
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 1.—About 2 o'clock this afternoon Mrs. J. M. Underwood, a young white woman aged 20 years, and her two-year-old son, were burned to death about eighteen miles from Raleigh and as the one-story three-room house was within 200 yards of a country church where a meeting was going on, people fear foul play, as it is thought the woman could have gotten out after the fire started.	
The woman's husband, a one-horse farmer, was at the church when the fire started, and with the congregation rushed to the house. It was in flames and there was no way to extinguish these, so the big crowd had to stand and see the house burn down.	
No screams or cries were heard, but in the ashes were found the charred bones of the mother and her two-year-old boy.	
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N. C. State Bonds.....	55,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par).....	450,000.00
Bank Building.....	25,000.00
Cash.....	391,114.25
	\$3,189,000.84
Liabilities:	
Capital.....	\$ 500,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits.....	227,211.61
Circulation.....	425,000.00
Deposits.....	1,936,789.23
U. S. Bond Account.....	100,000.00
	\$3,189,000.84

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